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ONCE WAS A WARRIOR

Insights of a World Cup '74 Socceroo Hero

Goal Weekly's Addy Wetzler recently took the opportunity to talk to former Socceroo Jack Reilly about the tough days of football behind us and the bright days ahead.

Jack Reilly is a busy man. We meet and shake hands, but before I can squeeze out more than a handful of words, I hear a ring tone which must be getting annoying familiar for the former Socceroo. He'll be back in ten minutes – its a conference call.

I catch up with Jack on a Wednesday. He'd had a big week already – the previous Saturday night we met he was in Sydney cheering on the Socceroos against the visiting Uruguayans, and Sunday he was appointed to the FFA board.

Jack Reilly is calm, polite and well-spoken, but quite clearly burns with ambition and craves success for the game he adores. At a quiet cafe off Collins St, we discuss his footballing past, present and future. We begin with the interview's first of three parts, of which will be brought to you over the next couple of weeks.

GW: When the Socceroos played Uruguay in Sydney recently did it bring back some memories from that famous night eighteen months ago?
JR: I'm not a person who really thinks about memories too much, what I thought on Saturday night was that there we were with sixty-odd thousand people very happy to support a new Australia. This was a team of guys who were coming through the system now, and I thought they performed particularly well. Of course as an ex-goalkeeper I felt for Brad Jones, but he'll get over that, he's playing at the highest level in England, and he'll recover. But I thought the new age of Australian football certainly is upon us from Saturday night.

GW: You mentioned Brad Jones and his howler? What was your biggest blunder in goals?
JR: I can recall an incident at Sutherland in Sydney, when I was just coming back into the Australian team, after having put my business before playing for Australia. It was my first game back and against Sutherland, with one hundred candle lights as the floodlights. I was sitting on the bench in the first half, and fifteen minutes into the second half I was asked to take the field, and of course you can imagine the spectators, they gave me a little bit of curry, and I thought 'ah well, I've got to do well here'. I wasn't particularly well warmed up, and the very first ball was just bouncing towards me, so easily. I thought 'I'll just grab it', next thing I knew it was through between my legs and in the back of the net. And I have never had a more embarrassing period in all my life, but you recover from it, you go on and thats it.

GW: Tell me a little bit about your childhood.
JR: Born in Stonehaven, Scotland. My father died as a result of the Second World War, so I was brought up by my mother and my grandfather. My grandfather was the most heartless man I've ever met and my mother had to work particularly hard to send me through school. It was a hard life for me.

GW: Why football?
JR: It was the way out. Football was the manner in which you could earn some money to be able to educate yourself and move on.

GW: And how far did you manage to go with your education?
JR: I went right through school and studied law for three years at Edinburgh University.

GW: When was it that you came out to Australia?
JR: 1969 I came to Australia after having played for three years in Washington, at the first attempt of a North American soccer league. That was when Beckenbauer and Pele and a whole host of top quality players went to North America, but it was not a success, it wasn't a good launch of football in the States because they spent too much money and didn't get any result for it. There were a lot of players flying around all over North America, first class, living in first class hotels, not particularly caring about what was happening for the game. The Americans said no, no more, we'll go right back through schools and colleges, and build the game that way, and we can see the result they've had, they've got a very, very good system now and they come up through the ranks very well.

GW: What was your initial involvement with club football in Australia?
JR: I arrived in Melbourne, went to a training session with Juventus, and thats what started it all.

GW: And from there?
JR: Prior to the World Cup I moved to St George in Sydney, because [then Socceroos coach Rale] Rasic wanted to get as much of the World Cup team playing together as possible each week, and that was a great year as well, but I still lived in Melbourne and travelled to Sydney each weekend.

GW: You mentioned Rale Rasic, to this day he's held in such high esteem in footballing circles, was he that big an influence on the team and football in the 1970s?
JR: I think you've got to put it in perspective. This was a team of part time players, they all had jobs, some of them didn't have jobs, many of them were unemployed. And football was their existence. Rasic had the ability to get the utmost out of every player, no matter what the character of the player was, Rasic had the psycologist in him that managed to get the utmost out of each player.

Goal! Weekly's Addy Wetzler caught up with newly appointed FFA Board Member and former '74 World Cup Socceroo Jack Reilly in Collins Street.

He was a fantastic motivator of people, and he also told you right upfront what he expected of you, not a week before a game, but six months before a game. Everybody knew that provided their form stayed they would be playing, and thats what he had going for him.. He was just a player's manager.

GW: And you had a good relationship with him while you were involved with the national team?
JR: Great relationship. I have to this day, I'm very good friends with him and on occasions he's still living in 1974 and annoying everybody with that, but he is a good man, a very good man.

GW: How does he rate when compared with our past three managers, Farina, Hiddink, and now obviously Graeme Arnold?
JR: All different personalities, all with their strengths and I think we've been very fortunate with the people we've had coaching the national team. I think Frank Farina did a good job considering the problems we had in getting teams together over a period of time, unfortunately it wasn't so good towards the end, but that was because everybody was looking for results as far as the World Cup was concerned. And if we look at Hiddink, who has got a world class reputation, he came with a world class pricetag, and got world class results. But don't forget he only coached the team for something like 36 full time days, and that says a lot. Don't forget we have now got full-time professional players, these guys are all earning their living at the highest level throughout Europe and various other areas. Its a very, very different scenario to 1974, and I think that any coach who gets Australia now has got a headstart, because he's dealing with highly professional players.

GW: And you're comfortable that Graham Arnold is the man to do that job?
JR: He's the man in the job at the moment and its up to him to keep it.

GW: Tell me a little bit about the '74 squad, we all know the names such as Manfred Schaefer, Adrian Alston, of course Johnny Warren, was it a close knit bunch?
JR: It was the closest knit bunch of players you could ever get, that was their strength, they all had a belief in each other, they all worked for each other. There were more jokers in that team than you could find in any half dozen circuses, and to this day they're close. That says everything about them. At John Warren's funeral, I think everybody was there. Any function these days, everybody is there. It says a lot about them, very very close knit bunch of players.

GW: The experience of the World Cup in '74, what was it like to be there? What reception did you get from the Germans?
JR: Fantastic. The greatest moment in my life was when the West German crowd, late in the game against West Germany, started cheering on Australia. That sort of thing just does not happen, and I thought that was fantastic, until I went to the World Cup in Germany last year and I believe the unsung heroes of the World Cup campaign last year were the fans. The fans were unbelievable. We were not playing particularly well against Japan, the fans demanded that we start playing well. They lifted and lifted and lifted and cheered as if there were no tomorrow, and the team responded. When we went 2-1 down against Croatia, the fans responded again, they lifted the team, they insisted the team go out and play well, they demanded the team come to see them after the game, they wouldn't leave the stadium for half an hour after the game demanding to see the players. We underestimate just how the game is now being accepted by the fans, and its a whole new group of fans, young fans who are totally dedicated to the game, and create a whole new experience within the game.

GW: Leaving sport alone for a moment, you've played a variety of different roles since your retirement from football, as a businessman, in politics. The People Power Party is something that seems to come up with your name attached to it quite frequently, how did you become involved in that world?
JR: Well I've been involved in politics for most probably twenty or twenty five years, on both sides of the coin, I've advised governments of all persuasions. Against the common belief, I was never a member of the People Power Party, I wrote some policies and gave them some advice, because I believe that what they were trying to get out into the marketplace was very, very good. They were closely associated with the disability and mental health arena, and I think thats a grossly disadvantaged area in society, so I said I would write some policies. There was all sorts of talk about the possibility of becoming a member of the party and becoming a nominated candidate, that never came about, I didn't go that far.

GW: Is that something that could be in the pipeline for the future?
JR: Well I think that both mainstream parties have really got to look long and hard at how they're dealing with the average man in the street at this point in time.

GW: So until politics is able to relate to more people, its not something you're keen to be involved in?
JR: I'm in the most political area you can get into: football.

In Part II next week, Jack Reilly talks about the success of Australian football and shares his views on the direction the game is heading.

Big Jack and Manfred Schaefer guard the Socceroos' goal from a Gerd Muller header in the World Cup '74 match against hosts and eventual winners, West Germany.

By Addy Wetzler

Recent Photo by Ben Turner

GORAN TALEVSKI

SUNSHINE GEORGIES FC

FULL NAME: Goran Talevski
BIRTHPLACE: Canberra (ACT)
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WEIGHT: 80 KG
MARRIED: Single
CAR: VW Golf
OCCUPATION OUTSIDE OF FOOTBALL: Just Football
NICKNAME: Gozza
PREVIOUS CLUBS: AIS, Sydney United, Marconi Stallions, Melbourne Knights, Hajduk Split, & Sunshine George Cross FC.
REPRESENTATIVE HONOURS: ACT Rep, Under 17 Australian Joeys.
CHILDHOOD FOOTBALL HERO: Raul (Real Madrid)
FAVOURITE O/S PLAYER: Kaka (AC Milan)
FAVOURITE V-LEAGUE PLAYER: John Markovski
FAVOURITE FORMER SOCCEROO: Paul Wade
FAVOURITE CURRENT SOCCEROO: Harry Kewell
MOST MEMORABLE MATCH AS A PLAYER: Playing against AS Roma in the fourth round of the UEFA Cup and winning a back to back title in the Croatian first division for Hajduk Split.
MOST MEMORABLE MATCH AS A FAN: Champions League Final/ AC Milan vs Barcelona, early 90's.
MOST MEMORABLE GOAL YOU'VE SCORED: Scored my first NSL goal for Sydney United which turned out to be the winning goal.
FUNNIEST MOMENT IN FOOTBALL: Don't have one yet, maybe this week. haha
BIGGEST DISAPPOINTMENT: Not staying overseas to prolong my professional football career.
WORST INJURY: Osteitis Pubis/ Hernia.
MOST DIFFICULT OPPONENT: Cafu (AS Roma)
FAVOURITE AWAY GROUND: Doesn't exist anymore due to water restrictions.
SUPERSTITIONS: Saying my prayers before a game.
TYPICAL MATCH DAY MEAL: Pasta/ salad and orange juice.
WHAT ARE YOUR STRENGTHS: Speed and ball distribution.
WHAT ARE YOUR WEAKNESSES: I'll let you's be the judge on this. haha
FAVOURITE TEAM WHEN GROWING UP: AC Milan
FAVOURITE OTHER SPORTS: Rugby League and Tennis.
FAVOURITE OTHER SPORTSPERSON: Roger Federer
FAVOURITE FOODS: Pizza, Pasta and Pepper Steak.
FAVOURITE ACTOR/ACTRESS: Steven Segal and Penelope Cruz
HOBBIES: Listening to music and watching dvd's
FAVOURITE HOLIDAY RESORT: Dubrovnik (Croatia)
FAVOURITE NIGHTSPOT: The Beach and Ocean blue.
IDEAL DATE: Eva Mendes.
FAVOURITE TV SHOWS: Deal Or No Deal, Desperate Housewives and Footballers Wives.
FAVOURITE MUSIC: RNB and Dance.
FAVOURITE FILM: All the Rocky films.
LAST SOCCER SHIRT YOU BOUGHT: I don't remember, its been a long time.
FUNNIEST RUMOUR YOU'VE HEARD ABOUT YOURSELF: The list goes on……
BIGGEST INFLUENCE ON CAREER: My father Kosta, family and god.
BIGGEST DRAG IN SOCCER: To be honest don't have one really, I love the game its what I do.
FOOTBALL AMBITION: Play overseas again.
WHICH PERSON IN THE WORLD WOULD YOU MOST LIKE TO MEET? : Maradona YOUR TIP FOR THIS YEAR'S V-LEAGUE: Sunshine George Cross, why not???? Great club.

Photo by John Punshon

By Teo Pellizzeri

VICTORIAN FOOTBALL SET FOR NEW ERA

New board to be elected this week

On August 2nd a new board will be elected to combine with chief executive officer Mark Rendell and two independently appointed directors to mark a new era in the administration of Victorian football.

The voting process is somewhat complicated but after just enough time to adjust to the constitutional reform a structure is in place and ready to go.

In layman's terms, the election will appoint six board members, one of whom is president. The votes will come from six standing committee chairpersons and 24 zone representatives to make a total of 30. Each voting slip is numbered one to six in preferential order.

The zone representatives are drawn from across Victoria, both metropolitan and country. It was the responsibility of the clubs within each zone to nominate who their zone representative would be; one club, one vote.

Four men have put their names forward in the presidential race, two as part of a ticket and two as independents.

The Presidential Candidates

Vasko Stojcevski

Stojcevski is the existing president of the FFV and is running as an independent. He has made it clear that the days of the FFV serving primarily as an administrator of the men's senior competition are over and that all areas of the game will receive equal attention.

Stojcevski will see through a feasibility study into the possibility of installing artificial surfaces in country regions to combat drought.

In accordance with FFA guidelines Stojcevski will implement a national youth development pathway system.

"I hate the idea that winning is everything," he said.

"We have to teach kids to play and enjoy the game, having the right coaching systems is what we're after.

"Once we have done that we can get all the zones together and address specific issues."

Stojcevski has said that the FFV will not be bullied by men's premier league clubs who are not in favour of the equality to women's, youth and country football provided by the constitutional reform.

"It's going to take some time to make open and transparent documents that set out the criteria of a reformed premier league," he said.

Tony Dunkerley

Tony Dunkerley is a decorated youth coach with a clear focus on the development pathways of young Victorian players. He is committed to advancing the case of Futsal in order to develop better-skilled players to combine with the existing high levels of athleticism.

Dunkerley has said that with Mark Rendell as CEO the FFV will have the ability to negotiate with all levels of government to provide better football facilities statewide, particularly in non-metropolitan areas. Futsal centres will be canvassed as an idea, as will artificial fields to combat the worst-affected areas by drought.

Dunkerley has indicated that an overhaul of the top men's league in the state would allow the possibility of participation by non-metropolitan teams. Every side would have to commit to a clear youth development itinerary and adhere to it in order to participate.

"If we agree on criteria for teams in the top league it must have a junior policy," he said.

"The aim of the Victorian league for teams in metropolitan and country areas should be one of development, to have players ready for the next level be it A-League or higher."

Nick Monteleone

Nick Monteleone's "Football For All" ticket was formed primarily to compete with "Football First" in a ticket format rather than have all its members run as independents.

The members are confident of election to president or director positions in their own right should the entire ticket not be successful.

Monteleone himself is committed to the idea of providing better infrastructure for women and junior players, in particular providing pathways to elite teams for country players equivalent to the opportunities available in the city.

"We have a blend of grass-roots people in terms of club administration, complimented by boardroom knowledge and experience," he said.

"In the past the sport has been controlled primarily by senior men clubs but now it will be equal representation and equal voting for clubs all over the state."

"We have a progressive and independent board that will not interfere with the operations of our CEO. Our strong governance will mean we have set directions and policy for the sport."

John Karounos is a member of the "Football For All" ticket, should he be elected to a director's position will look to open a football academy for Indigenous youth.

"One of the great ways to show racial equality is through sport," Karounos said.

"If there's talent, then regardless of your race then that talent can be developed. Just look at the contribution Indigenous Australians have made to the AFL."

Chris Nikou

Nikou has been closely involved with the administration of Victorian football and was committed to the concept of the V-League before it was shelved in February. Nikou would introduce the V-League for the 2009 season if elected, with teams bidding for as many as 12 positions in the competition.

Nikou went through an extensive interview process to build his ticket and is confident that he has the strongest business plan.

"We will have a business plan and road map for the federation," he said.

"We will have everyone under the one roof. We will meet with the stakeholders and work out the burning issues, then empower the CEO to work on them."

Nikou said his ticket as a board would make clear meeting times and dates for all zone representatives in order for their issues to be canvassed.

For the country specifically Nikou said he would introduce a commissioner for country issues to interact with the four non-metro zones (Goulburn North East, Loddon-Mallee, Wimmera and Gippsland).

Independent Candidates for director positions

Neville Keen, Maggie Koumi, Jamie Parsons, Linda Ryan, Chris Todorovski, Mark Trajcevski

Director nominees as part of "Football First"

Kylie Waterson-Wheeler, Scott Patterson, Joseph Lombardi, Katherine Glynn, Michael Edgley

Director nominees as part of "Football For All"

Bart Harrold, Mandy Rashleigh, John Karounos, Joe Perri.

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FOXTEL CUP STANDINGS

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Preston Lions	20	11	7	2	37	19	37
Oakleigh Cannons	20	10	4	6	38	26	34
Green Gully Cavaliers	20	9	7	4	30	19	34
Altona Magic	20	9	6	5	29	22	33
Melbourne Knights	19	9	5	5	22	12	32
South Melbourne	20	8	6	6	35	27	30
Whittlesea Zebras	20	10	3	7	23	22	33
Heidelberg Utd	20	8	5	7	26	30	29
Richmond	20	8	3	9	33	27	27
Essendon Royals	20	7	6	7	25	29	27
A.I.S	20	8	2	10	26	26	26
Western Suburbs	21	5	9	7	14	23	24
Fawkner Blues	20	6	5	9	17	21	23
Sunshine Georgies	19	5	7	7	19	22	22
Kingston City	19	4	5	10	19	28	17
Springvale White Eagles	20	1	2	17	12	52	5

RESULTS

Essendon Royals	1 - 1	Green Gully Cavaliers
South Melbourne	5 - 2	Oakleigh Cannons
Preston Lions	2 - 0	Springvale White Eagles
Western Suburbs	0 - 0	Altona Magic
Sunshine Georgies	0 - 1	Fawkner Blues
Heidelberg United	0 - 1	Melbourne Knights
Whittlesea Zebras	2 - 0	Richmond Eagles
Kingston City	.. - ..	AIS

UNDER 21 DETAILS

South Melbourne 3 Oakleigh Cannons 1, Essendon Royals 1 Green Gully Cavaliers 0, Heidelberg Utd 1 Melbourne Knights 2, Preston Lions 5 Springvale White Eagles 1, Western Suburbs 1 Altona Magic 1, Sunshine Georgies 1 Fawkner Blues 0

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Melbourne Knights	19	15	2	2	47	14	47
Whittlesea Zebras	19	10	2	7	40	26	32
V.I.S	18	10	2	6	32	21	32
Sunshine Georgies	18	10	2	6	32	22	32
Kingston City	18	10	2	6	30	26	32
Essendon Royals	19	10	2	7	28	26	32
Oakleigh Cannons	19	9	3	7	37	31	30
Richmond	18	9	3	6	33	27	30
Western Suburbs	20	8	4	8	34	30	28
Springvale White Eagles	20	8	3	9	29	42	27
Green Gully Cavaliers	20	7	4	9	29	29	25
Heidelberg Utd	19	7	4	8	24	31	25
Fawkner Blues	19	6	5	8	23	30	23
Preston Lions	18	5	4	9	29	32	16
South Melbourne	19	3	2	14	25	47	11
Altona Magic	19	1	2	16	16	54	5

THE TOP MARKSMEN

Player, Club	Goals
Masi, Esala Oakleigh Cannons FC	11
Georgioski, Blaze Preston Lions SC	10
Diaco, Ricky South Melbourne FC	10
Curcija, Michael Altona Magic SC	9
Nilo, Juan Oakleigh Cannons FC	9
Lagana, Frankie M Essendon Royals SC	8
Pelikan, Anthony Melbourne Knights	8
Tsiorlas, Mark Fawkner Blues SC	8
Becvinovski, Saso Altona Magic SC	7
Sapazovski, Johnny Preston Lions SC	7
Vulic, Antun Kingston City FC	7

UPCOMING FIXTURES

Oakleigh Cannons
v
Essendon Royals
Jack Edwards Reserve
Friday 3rd August
KO 8:15PM

Altona Magic
v
Sunshine Georgies
Paisley Park
Saturday 4th August
KO 6:30PM

Springvale White Eagles
v
Kingston City
White Eagles Stadium
Saturday 4th August
KO 7:00PM

Melbourne Knights
v
South Melbourne
Knights Stadium
Sunday 5th August
KO 3:00PM

Fawkner Blues
v
Heidelberg Utd
CB Smith Reserve
Sunday 5th August
KO 3:00PM

Whittlesea Zebras
v
Preston Lions
Epping Soccer Stadium
Sunday 5th August
KO 3:00PM

Green Gully Cavaliers
v
Richmond
Green Gully Reserve
Sunday 5th August
KO 6:00PM

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OAKLEIGH CANNONS

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CHAMPS SURGE BACK INTO FINALS CONTENTION

Diaco "special" seals emphatic win

South Melbourne have surged back into finals contention after defeating the Oakleigh Cannons in a classic derby match in front of a healthy crowd at Bob Jane Stadium on Friday night.

Coming into the encounter, Oakleigh had come off a resounding 6-0 demolition of the Heidelberg Warriors and a win would have sent them to top spot on the Foxtel Cup table. Meanwhile, South hadn't scored in over six hours of competitive football, with their last goal coming back on June 17th in the 0-2 win over Sunshine Georgies at Chaplin Reserve.

South commenced the game in an attacking frame of mind, creating a superb chance in the first minute of play when Bill Natsioulas dribbled through the heart of the Cannons defence, only for his shot to be driven wide of the target and away for a goalkick.

The home side continued to press forward in the early stages of the game with Yusef Yusef also opting to take on the defence before hitting a blistering drive into the side netting.

Oakleigh had their first real opportunity in the 12th minute of play, after some great lead up work by MacNicol on the right hand side of the area opened up a sizeable gap for Pablo Cardozo to burst through. Unfortunately for the former national league star, he scuffed his shot from well inside the area, with the ball landing into the arms of Mitchell Langerak in the South goal.

In response, South launched a stinging counter attack, with Gianni De Nittis latching onto a well weighted ball from Ramazan. DeNittis then slotted the ball into the path of Nathan Caldwell, who from outside the area hit a low drive onto the target that produced an excellent save by Michael Turnball in the Oakleigh goal.

The final chance of the opening half once again fell to the home side, with Ramazan making a storming run down the right hand touch line before launching an ambitious long range effort well wide of the target.

Oakleigh came out in the second half looking like a side on a mission after a rather disappointing opening half. Thanks to sloppy defending by South, they were gifted with an opportunity only 40 seconds into the half. On this occasion, after an initial ball was cleared off the line by Ramazan, the ball fell back into the path of Cardozo, who from only three yards smacked his shot directly into the arms of Langerak who didn't have to move at his near post.

South immediately responded with an attack of their own. This time Diaco was given the ball just outside the right hand side of the box and after passing Stergiopoulos with ease, attempted to slam a shot into the near post. However, Turnball was alert enough to pick Diaco's placement and the experienced keeper parried the ball safely out for a corner.

The game reached a new level in the 52nd minute when Diaco once again used his body to perfection to turn Stergiopoulos inside out on the edge of the area. Diaco then turned around and hit a low and accurate drive past the outstretched Turnball and into the back of the net for the opening goal.

South were keen to hold onto their advantage, however Oakleigh were back on level terms only two minutes later when some poor defending by the home side allowed for Pablo Cardozo to pop up inside the area and tap the ball into the back of the net.

In what was turning out to be a classic game of football, South regained the advantage in the 57th minute of play, when a sublime turn and ball by Caldwell unlocked the Oakleigh defence, sending Yusef into acres of space with only Turnball to beat. After taking a few touches, Yusef launched his drive past the helpless Turnball to send the South supporters into frenzy.

The Cannons continued to push forward in an attempt to find another equalising goal and managed to do so in the 68th minute, when the ball fell into the feet of substitute Veresa Toma. The big striker calmly took a touch and smashed the ball past Langerak's near post, to level the scores at 2-2.

South players and coach John Anastasiadis are ecstatic after breaking a scoring drought that lasted over six hours of football

The amazing second half of end to end football continued and in the 70th minute, a well worked move culminated in an innocuous ball not being cleared at all by the Oakleigh defence. Sensing a chance to gain possession, Yusef stormed into the area, avoiding the host of Oakleigh defenders trying to clear the ball to safety and subsequently forced the ball over the goal line from no more than a metre out to give his side a 3-2 lead.

South Melbourne continued to push forward, sensing that another goal would almost effectively kill off any chance Oakleigh had of coming back for a third time.

In the 75th minute, Waterson, who was running the show in the midfield area, launched a stinging long-range effort onto the target after rounding and beating three Oakleigh defenders. Thankfully for the Cannons, Turnball acrobatically repelled the attack and calmly turned the ball around the post for another South corner.

The superb attacking football continued in the 80th minute when a beautiful turn and ball by Caldwell once again ripped a hole through the heart of the Cannons defence. Ramazan latched onto the ball and found himself one-on-one with Turnbull. Ramazan hit a blistering drive past Turnball's near post, to secure all 3 points for his side.

The home side were not done with yet however and added the icing on the cake in the 84th minute through Ricky Diaco, who from 20 yards hit a world class free kick into the top corner of the net off the crossbar, leaving Turnbull with absolutely no chance of stopping the shot and sending the home fans into party mode.

Man of the Match Trent Waterson was delighted with the performance post match, claiming "This was the real turning point in our season as Oakleigh are a high quality opponent and to defeat such a side will do wonders for our confidence. We need to continue working hard over the remaining parts of the season to make sure we are there for the finals."

The Oakleigh goal scorer Veresa Toma was far more subdued in his analysis of the game saying "It was nice to score a goal personally which at that point was the equalizing goal, but the team success is far more important and the three points would have been great today, but that's football".

South's next game is against fellow top-six aspirants Melbourne Knights at Knights Stadium next Sunday at 3pm, while the Oakleigh Cannons will be trying to get back to winning ways when they host Essendon Royals next Friday night at 8.15pm.

South's Yusef Yusef was in sparkiling form on Friday night - tormenting the Cannons' defence and notching two goals in the process.

Man of the Match:
Trent Waterson
(South Melbourne)

South Melbourne FC 5 (Ricky Diaco 52' 84', Yusef Yusef 57' 70', Ramazan 80')
South: Mitchell Langerak, Sam DeVito, Trent Waterson (Jose Vasquez), Adam Van Dommele, Nathan Caldwell, Bill Natsioulas (Fernando De Moraes), Ricky Diaco, Ramazan, Tansel Baser, Yusef Yusef (Andrew Bourakis), Gianni DeNittis
Cautions : Gianni DeNittis

Oakleigh Cannons 2 (Cardozo 54', Toma 68')
Cannons: Michael Turnball, Marcus Stergiopoulos, Michael Panopoulos, Bill Damianos, Antun Kovacic (Felix Rosman) , Steve Laurie, Juan Nilo, Pablo Cardozo, Sam Poutakidis, Scott MacNicol, Scott Webster (Veresa Toma)
Cautions: None

Crowd: Approx 1200 at Bob Jane Stadium

ESSENDON ROYALS

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GREEN GULLY CAVALIERS

By Markian Jaworsky
Photos by John Punshon

VASSALLO TO THE RESCUE ONCE AGAIN!

Gully draws fifth straight match

A late Brandon Vassallo goal salvaged a result for the travelling Cavaliers in their match against the Essendon Royals.

The Green Gully Cavaliers had to field a makeshift forwardline in Matthew Sanders upfront as a lone target man, supported by Gully's midfield and Manny Muscat and Brandon Vassallo on the left and right flanks respectively. With regular strikers Campbell Banks on the long term injury list and Joel Nikolic suspended, it was all that was on offer to coach Gully Ian Dobson against an Essendon team fielding a team blended with experienced campaigners and a handful of teenagers.

The first half as a spectacle, left a lot to be desired. The midfield was congested, and the pitch bumpy and muddy, and chances were very few and far between. So it was a complete surprise when Frank Lagana's high looping freekick was dropped by Gully's Thomas Kovar, and rebound tapped over the line by Joseph Youseff after 36 minutes of play.

In the second half, Essendon had closed shop and Gully literally had upward of 70 to 80 percent possession of play. Chances fell to Matthew Sanders, ex-Essendon defender Mile Medjedovic and Brandon Vassallo, but their attempts on goal fell wide. Substitute Kristijan Ivesic sparked some life into the Cavaliers, and his acrobatic twist and volley ten minutes from fulltime was saved by Essendon's Marko Sutalo in goal. With around five minutes of play remaining Brandon Vassallo found space to run at the Royals goal in a counter-attacking play, and cooly slotted the ball into the back of the Essendon goal, with Marko Sutalo beaten.

In the under 21's match, Green Gully lost to Essendon by two goals to nil.

Man of the Match
Brandon Vassallo
(Green Gully)

Essendon:
Marco Sutalo, Con Anthopoulos, Victor Pititto, Haris Vrbovak, Joseph Youseff, Francesco Lagana, Michael Catalano, Hayden D'Agostino, Frankie Lagano, Tony La Verdie, Matthew Dimech.
Subs:
John-Adams Sansone, Scott Agustin, Farouk Tiviani, Ricky Catalano, Mifit Bovku

Green Gully:
Thomas Kovar, Daniel Cain, Marcelo Pena, Dean Fak, Mile Medjedevic, Jeffrey Fleming, Brandon Vassallo, John Adam, Andy Vargas, Manny Muscat, Matthew Sanders
Subs:
Ante Loncaric, Kristijan Ivesic, Phillip Riccobene, Stephen Camilleri, Dragi Nastevski.

Final Score:
Essendon Royals 1 (J.Youseff 36m)
Green Gully Cavaliers 1 (B.Vassallo 85m)

Crowd : 400

Brandon Vassallo, seen here in a file shot, salvaged a point for the Cavaliers against the Royals on Friday night at the Veneto Club

PRESTON LIONS

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SPRINGVALE WHITE EAGLES

LIONS REBOUND AND ROAR THREE POINTS CLEAR

Preston prevails in "top against bottom" clash

By Simon McCuskey
Photos by Nome Risteski

The Preston Lions rebounded from last fortnight's shock loss to the Australian Institute of Sport, with second half goals to Blaze Georgioski and Jonathon Munoz enough to defeat a gallant Springvale White Eagles by 2-0, in front of 1,500 spectators at B.T Connor Reserve. The win now sees the Lions sitting alone at the top of the Foxtel Cup table, three points clear of second place Green Gully.

A huge 29 point gulf separated Preston and Springvale at both ends of the table prior to this clash, the Lions had to fight until the last minute of the game to secure all three points and shake of a defiant and youthful Springvale outfit playing for pride as their season draws to a close.

A scrappy game from start to finish, Preston could have scored twice in the opening twenty minutes, but to no avail. In the fifth minute, Blaze Georgioski found Pece Siveski 15 yards from goal on the right hand side, but the Lions captain sent his strike wide across the back post. Minutes later, Johnny Sapazovski won a free kick inches outside Springvale's box and the resulting set piece was taken by set-piece specialist, Tony Sterjovski. Although Sterjovski's shot found an avenue through the Springvale wall, the ball fortunately sailed millimetres above the bar for the White Eagles.

Caught on the back foot early on, Springvale surprised Preston and should have snatched the lead with their first chance twenty five minutes in. White Eagles leading goal scorer Goran Zoric broke free along the right hand side, squaring a ball to White Eagles striker Ljubisa Nikolic six yards from goal, only for Preston centre back Stephen Masalkovski to desperately intercept the play and clear the ball for a corner.

Zoran Petrevski takes on his man in front of the Connor Reserve faithful

Preston's Blaze Georgioski opened the scoring after an hour of play against the visiting White Eagles

Lions keeper Savas Ozdemir pulled out a top shelf to ensure a clean sheet minutes before the half time break. Lunging at full stretch on his left, Ozdemir tipped out a Ljubisa Nikolic header which seemed destined to be sailing into the top hand corner of the net for the White Eagles.

Preston should have immediately hit the lead after the restart. Tony Sterjovski whipped in a left foot cross which was spilt by White Eagles keeper Nikola Roganovic. Blaze Georgioski swooped on the unmark ball metres off the goal line, only to strike the ball over the bar. As per the first half, Springvale caught Preston on the counter and blew a perfect chance to snatch the lead. White Eagle's pair Nikolic and Zoric found their way around last defender Masalkovski and only had Ozdemir to beat. Nikolic should have finished the play himself, but opted to square the ball to Zoric on the inside. Nikolic's resulting pass was both wide and deep for Zoric as a grateful Ozdemir watched the ball drift over the goaline.

Preston seized on Springvale's mistake and scored minutes after. Tony Sterjovski crossed a low ball into the box which was headed home on the near post by Blaze Georgioski. Georgioski had his first for the afternoon and his tenth for the season, sending the B.T Conner crowd into raptures in the sixtieth minute. Georgioski should have added another immediately after play restarted. In similar circumstances to how the second half began, Springvale keeper Roganovic spilt a ball which fell to Georgioski only yards off the goal line, only to strike the ball over the bar for a second time!

Preston coach Goran Lozanovski made two substitutions in the space of ten minutes, replacing Johnny Sapazovski and Marinos Gasparis for Nick Lazarevski and Jonathon Munoz and this move ultimately sealed Springvale's fate. Approaching extra time, Springvale failed to clear Stephen Masalkovski's cross which was swooped on by the new substitute Munoz. Munoz charged in to fire a shot, eluding a crowded Springvale box to score. Munoz's strike in the final stages of the game delivered Preston's first sense of relief for the afternoon, finally shrugging off a persistent Springvale outfit.

Springvale's persistence all afternoon against an experienced Lions's squad was praised by White Eagle's coach Zlatko Mihalovic. "Bar three or four players, all of our squad are under twenty years of age and we matched them man-on-man all afternoon. The reality was we didn't take our chances, particularly the gifts we were presented in the second half. Although we are going down this season, I've harped onto the players to play for pride and learn from this experience and we definitely did that today." To the contrary, Mihalovic's counterpart, Goran Lozanovski was a relieved Preston coach, mentioning "It was a scrappy game and I'm just grateful we collected the points."

Preston face a resurgent Whittlesea away next week, whilst Springvale host Kingston in a good ol' fashioned 'six pointer', where Kingston will be avoiding to accompany Springvale playing Division One football next season.

Man of the Match:
Les Anastasiou
(Preston Lions)

Scorers:GEORGIOSKI, Blaze '60
MUNOZ, Jonathan '90

Preston: S. OZDEMIR, L.ANASTASIOU, M.GASPARIS (J.MUNOZ 70') , J.SAPAZOVSKI (N.LAZAREVSKI 60'), T.STERJOVSKI (M.MISKAS 83'), Z.PETREVSKI , S.PACE, I.ARSOVSKI, P.SIVESKI,S.MASALKOVSKI, B.GEORGIOSKI.

Springvale:N.ROGANOVIC, S.BOGDANOVIC,(N.SAMARDZIC 75') D.RISTIC, B.BAJIC, T.RACUNICA, G.MRDIC, N.PAVASOVIC, G.ZORIC, D.NIKOLIC, L.NIKOLIC, D.MIRKOVIC.

Crowd: 1500

VIVA LA THEO!

Markelis is about to embark on every young soccer hopeful's dream. Green Gully U15 Super League player Theo Markelis has been picked up by Spanish soccer giant Valencia, where he will finish the last two years of his schooling with them.

Theo is then looking at an annual seven-figure salary once he hits 18, if he's signed by the Spanish top division club.

The news is remarkable and has shocked the Green Gully striker's parents, family and friends. His mother, Helen, is making the move with him for at least the first three months, but it could be more.

FIFA requires a player under the age of 16 to be accompanied by a guardian overseas, and who better to clean his boots before he rubs shoulders with some of the game's biggest names than his number one fan. The steps to stardom all started for Theo last year when he was invited to attend the Genova International Academy, which is run out of Victoria.

Although the move overseas is only the starting point, the early signs are that many in Europe believe Theo could be the next big thing. He had Italian, Spanish and English clubs come from everywhere to take a look at him while he was touring Europe with Genova International earlier this year.

Theo started as a six-year-old playing with Brunswick City. He then moved to Green Gully when he was 10, going on to represent the Victorian under 13, 14 and 15 state squads in the past three years. He was the leading goal scorer with 11 at this year's national championships.

And Theo has already made headlines in Spanish newspapers. "He was lined up with all the Valencia players when he was over there and they told him they wanted him to come back," Helen said.

"We're just waiting on his European passport and we'll head over." Theo and his mother will be set up in Valencia in September.

The Board of Management of the Green Gully Soccer Club wishes Theo the very best of luck with Valencia in Spain.

HARRY BACK WITH THE BOYS

While Vlado left green with envy

Harry Chalkitis has made a sensational comeback to the men's game by replacing Vlado Vanis as senior coach of Bentleigh Greens.

But it took a special dispensation from Football Federation Victoria CEO Mark Rendell to allow Chalkitis to accept the position at a club he led to prominence throughout the 1990s.

Chalkitis was offered the position after the Greens sacked Vanis following their recent 5-1 loss at home to Langwarrin.

"To be honest I wasn't even in the market for a coaching position and wasn't even considering a return to the men's game," said Chalkitis.

"I had to get permission from Mark Rendell to even consider the offer and when he gave me his blessing I decided to accept."

For the past few years Chalkitis has been head coach of FFV's National Training Centre program for girls. We understand he will combine both roles.

Vanis, a championship winning player and coach and Melbourne Knights legend, had been at the helm of the Greens since midway through the previous season. The club finished third last in 2006, lost a play-off to Southern Stars, but won back its Division One status after a controversial Premier League reshuffle at season's end.

The first inkling that Vanis had that trouble was afoot was when he was approached by his team manager a few weeks before his dismissal and asked to sack reserves coach Joe Spoljar.

"Joe's job was to develop young talent and as far as I am concerned he was doing a fantastic job," said Vanis.

"I had already used six of his players (in the first team) this season and remember that most of his boys are 16 and 17 (years old).

"I knew that Joe was very, very good at developing young players and that is why I wanted him to do that job. I believed in him and I still believe in him."

Chalkitis shares Vanis's sentiments about Spoljar's capabilities.

"I've know Joe for years and I would have been perfectly happy for him to continue in that role, but he decided to walk with Vlado."

For Chalkitis, this is akin to a second coming. His first spell with the Greens in the 1990s saw him lead the club into the Premier League finals five seasons in a row.

In 2001 he guided Port Melbourne to the minor premiership only to lose the grand final to Heidelberg on penalties. That season he won his second Coach of the Year award. Chalkitis is the only coach to have taken both the Victorian state men's team and a women's team to China.

Vanis was still smarting when we contacted him late last week and remained puzzled as to the reasons for his sacking.

"My aim was to avoid relegation this year. Instead we found ourselves challenging for promotion which is much more than the club wanted at the start of the season.

"I feel like I haven't had enough time to finish the job. My team's average age is between 20 and 21 years and I believe I have left Bentleigh Greens with a great foundation for future success.

"I am a players' coach, not a committee's coach and maybe some parents weren't happy but I know that we were building something really good.

"I did not get the chance to talk to the players properly after the club sacked me but I want to tell them to support Harry and I want them to know that I still believe in them."

— CRAIG MACKENZIE

ZEBRAS, LIONS TO CONTEST COMMUNITY CUP

On Sunday 5th August 2007 , the inaugrual "Northern Community Cup" sponsored by Haughton Stotts Real Estate will be played between Foxtel Cup participants, the Whittlesea Zebras and Preston Lions. The main game will kick off at 3.00pm.

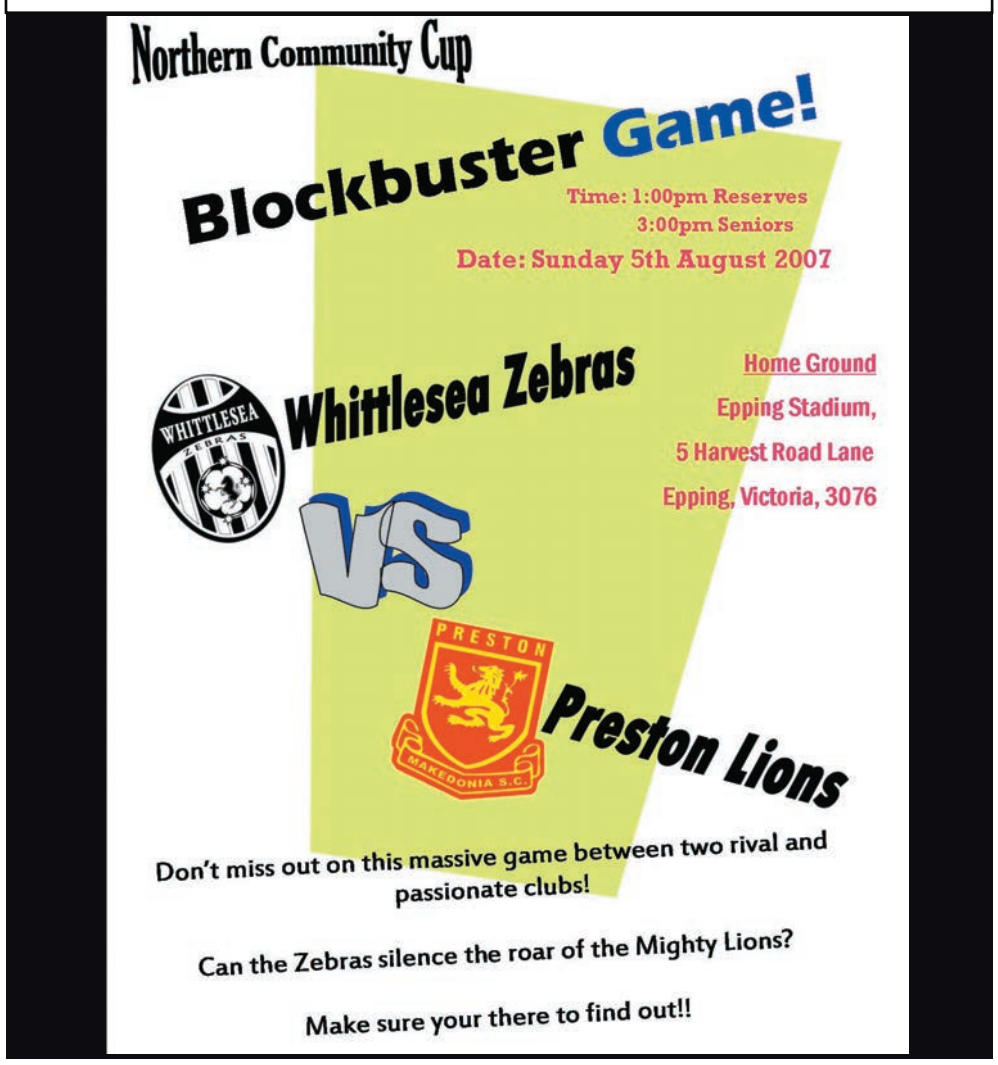
The Mayor of Whittlesea Cr Kris Pavlidis and the Mayor of Darebin Cr Marlene Kairouz will come together today, Friday July 27 at the FFV Headquarters (Darebin International Sports Centre, 281 Darebin Road, Thornbury Melways Ref 31A7) to promote the friendly rivalry with a photo shoot to promote the game at 4.00 pm.

FFV CEO Mark Rendell will be one of many special community heads that will attend the pre match luncheon along with Head of Marketing of the FFV, Susan Dean. All councilors from the Shire of Whittlesea, including Mayor Kris Pavlidis, have been personally invited and will be in attendance.

The Cup is an important message to football supporters in the Northern Suburbs that football is alive. The football carnival, will also include half time participation from the Zebras football family, the Whittlesea Zebras Junior Base. The winning team will be presented with the "Northern Community Cup" and thus having bragging rites as the best football side in the north of Melbourne.

One interested participant in the encounter will be Zebras Head Coach, Peter Ollerton, who was twice a Premiership coach with Preston and a championship winning coach with the Zebras in 2004. Peter will coach the Whittlesea Zebras on the day, but will importantly also be one of thejudges of the "Peter Ollerton" medal which will be on offer to the best player on the ground.

The Mayor of Whittlesea, CR Kris PAVLIDI (left) and the Mayor of Darebin, CR Marleen KAIROUZ (right) hold aloft the Northern Community Cup which will be contested by the Zebras and Lions this weekend. The ladies are accompanied by CEO of FFV, Mark RENDELL, Coach of Whittlesea Zebras, Peter OLLERTON and the General Manager of Haughton Stotts Real Estate, Chris DZANOVSKI.



WESTERN SUBURBS

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ALTONA MAGIC

By Reuben Schembri
Photos by Daniel Flis

DRAW KING 'BURBS STEAL ALTONA'S MAGIC

Bore draw at Ralph Reserve

At a chilly Ralph Reserve the small crowd on hand saw home side Western Suburbs grind out a goaless draw against the much fancied Altona Magic in a game which provided little to spark the imagination.

The first half started with both teams wrestling for the ascendancy and neither team being able to establish any dominance or to put together any flowing moves and take the game by the scruff of the horns. It was however the home side which were probably the best of the two sides early with Dimitri Hatzimouratis putting himself about and providing some threat although his delivery will have to be better. This young lad has to rate as one of the finds of the season for the Ralph Reserve side having come up through their Under 21 side where he performed admirably early in the season and having seized his opportunity at senior level.

Suburbs had a series of corners but never really threatened with them and for the most part, Bojo Jevdjevic in the Altona goal, dealt with everything that he was served up. On the flip side, Stephan Gal really wasn't tested in the first half and Altona's potent forward line of Michael Curcija and Sash Becvinovski were virtually anonymous. It was hardly a surprise to anyone that as the referee blew the half time whistle it was nil all at the break.

Altona seemed to spark up a bit in the second stanza but took a while to get their stride and to get a footing on the game. Suburbs toiled hard and were trying to get some sort of forward movement but there was nothing fluent about their play. Lorenz Kindtner who is so vital to Suburbs was having a down game although it has to be said he is returning from injury and probably lacking a bit of match sharpness right now.

Altona had chances through Vasilevski and a header by Mrkela but these were only fleeting opportunities with nothing to really seriously threaten Stephan Gal in the Suburbs goal. Suburbs toiled manfully but were never really likely to beat the Altona keeper. Mercifully the referee ended the game and blew the final whistle to render the game a goaless draw.

Altona will probably be the more disappointed team of the two because they would have probably fancied their chances against the lowly Suburbs. Next week, Suburbs have a week off because they played their round 21 game against the AIS last Sunday winning it by a lone goal. Altona Magic welcome the Sunshine Georgies to Paisley park for the Saturday night game.

Man of the Match
S. Mrkela
(Altona Magic)

Suburbs: S. Gal, T. Markovski, E. Cetkin, J. Cvetanovski, Z. Cvetkovski, T. Antoniadis, L. Kindtner, L. Rizzo, D. Hatzimouratis, I. Khrapko
Goalscorers: None
Yellow Cards: J. Cvetanovski, N. Raoma
Red cards: None

Magic: B. Jevdjevic, S. Mrkela, L. Osman, D. Mladenovic, S. Bechinovski, D. Vasilevski, P. Corgevski, F. Richards, M. Curcija, S. Bozinovski, S Aleksovski
Goalscorers: None
Yellow cards: 3 players
Red cards: None

Crowd : 300-400 people

Suburbs' Nikola Roama tangles with an Altona Magic player

Magic's Sash Becvinovski gives chase against Western Suburbs yesterday.

The impressive Dimitri Hatzimoratis get a leap over Magic's Fidel Richards while Doug Mladenovic looks on.

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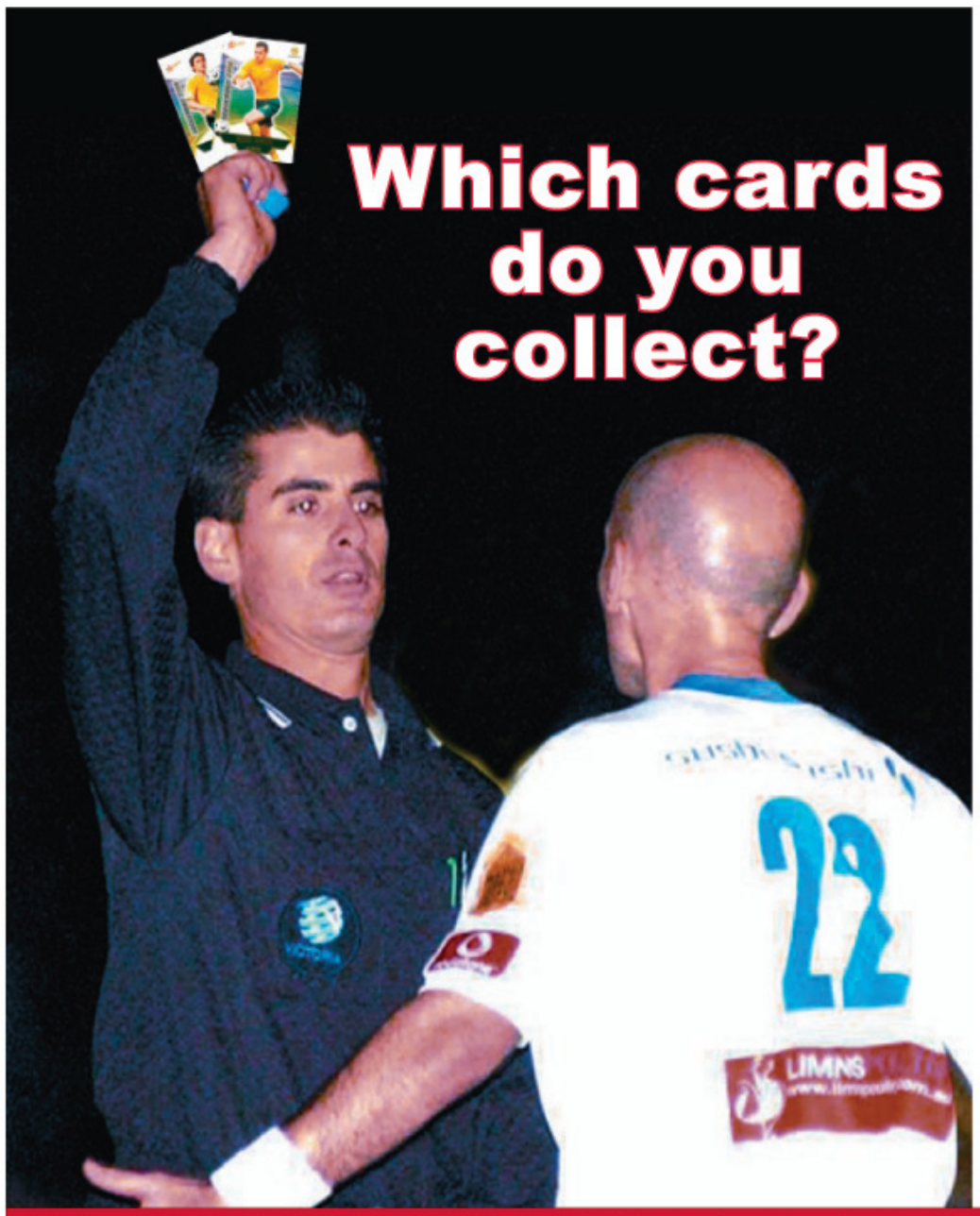

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Katsa's Korner

With George Katsamboukas

6-19

Katsa's Scoreboard Sponsored by W N Field & J Walker

VPL 6/19, AFL 4/17

The Scorer has not been troubled for a while. He has however been hired by the AFL folks to keep tabs on the number of AFL Coach's given the flick. The Scorer's Resume' was quite impressive when he rocked up for the job interview; after all he has performed this job with distinction for many years for the Premier League. I had no hesitation in providing a favourable reference for him

A "sack' race of sorts has now developed between the VPL and the AFL.

Over to Darebin FFV Headquarters we go!

TRIBUNAL TOPICS

A new initiative for the Tribunal system has been put in place, at the request of Telstra. Back in the days, Tribunal results were not given immediately on the night of the hearings, and the friendly Tribunal Members would ask the accused, to call the FFV Office after 2 pm the next day.

Now this caused the Darebin Telstra exchange some grief with the extra traffic at exactly 2 pm. To overcome this congestion, the Tribunal results are now provided immediately. On a serious note, this is a great initiative.

Constitutional Reform is the buzz word doing the rounds down Darebin way.
There are 2 things that I hate in life. Firstly, an empty Bottle of J Walker.
Secondly, reading large documents.
Perhaps this is why I did not read the new Constitutional reform document; however, being a very patient person, I waited for the dust to settle and for that one very big announcement as to what this Constitutional reform actually meant.

It means the following....Gone are the days where Clubs would have a direct Vote as to the Management of Victorian Soccer, instead, they vote one representative from their area, who then vote for who will make up the Commission, and influence other decisions also.

The great news for Clubs though, is that they no longer have to attend the FFV Annual General Meetings, which are about as interesting as watching paint dry.
Traditionally, Clubs who had no interest in the working of the FFV, in order to avoid being fined for non attendance, sent a representative along, who signed the attendance register, and then bolted.

Time will tell how well this new system works!

And don't forget that your vote is a valuable thing!!

JOIN THE QUEUE, ARNIE!

"Goal A Game Arnie", start searching for a new gig, I would say that you have about as much chance in continuing your gig as the Socceroos Coach as I have of dining on Caviar and Canapés with Kylie MInogue.
The Socceroos performance at the Asian Cup is best left forgotten, over to you Craig Foster!

KASTA'S CURSE

The favourable comments which I wrote about Langwarrin Soccer Club a few weeks ago and were displayed on their Club Notice Board must have certainly been ripped down. I did warn them of the Katsa Curse last edition and advised them if they were to have any chance of promotion to get rid of this article. They then put 5 past

Bentleigh Greens the following weekend. Now Gus "Sir Alex Ferguson" Macleod is an accomplished Coach, however I will take credit for this victory, if the article was taken down.

LUNGS OF LANGY

By the way, a word of warning for those who scare easily. Keep away from the Langy bench immediately after they score a Goal. The roar that comes out of Gus mouth when celebrating is enough to wake anyone who's in an induced coma!

ADIOS AMIGOS

Pending Internet access and the ability to leave the Beaches and Night Clubs of Greece, Katsas Korner will be in recess for the next 4 weeks.

I'm leaving on a Jet Plane; I think I'll be back again!

Singapore Girl what a great way to Fly: Emirates Girl stock up on the J Walkers.

21 Hours on a plane is enough to drive anyone to drink.

Until next time

This is Katsa – Just as you've known him

BOO'S WORLD

A satirical look at the World of Football according to Mark Boric

I gotta take a little time. A little time to think things over. I better read between the lines. In case I need it when I'm older.

A rather introspective start to the column this week, as I quote some lyrics by Foreigner from their 1984 album Agent Provocateur. Why do I do this?
Well, because I know fellow columnist George Katsamboukis hates it when I quote song lyrics so that's as good a reason as any. The real reason, though, follows when I alter the chorus slightly.

"I wanna know who Love is. I want you to show me. I wanna see what Love is. Victory will show me." Put simply, the signing of Leandro Love by Melbourne Victory is the greatest transfer in Australian football history.

There are so many songs that could be adapted to chants for this young Brazilian. They would do more than fill up even a double album, there is enough material to fill in a Time Life box set that can be made into an advertorial hosted by the guys from Air Supply and shown on early morning television every day.

Take for instance the Joy Division classic performed by Damian Lovelock on the SBS F.A. Cup Final telecast this year. The Victory fans could taunt the opposition with "When routine bites hard, and ambitions are low, and resentment rides high, but emotions won't grow.
And were changing our ways, taking different roads. Then Love, Love will tear you apart again!"

The Beatles back catalogue includes numerous Leandro Love songs. "All we need is Love. Love is all we need." Bit disrespectful to Danny Allsopp and Archie Thompson, but a great tune nonetheless. "We don't care too much for money, money can't buy our Love". Even as solo artists, they kept knocking them out. From John Lennon's Mind Games we can use the line "Love is the answer, and you know that for sure".

Paul McCartney and Wings also have a song ripe for poaching. "And when we go away, we know our hearts can stay, with our Love, it's understood. It's in the hands of our Love, 'cos our Love does it good! Wo-Wo-Wo-Wo-Wo-Wo. Our Love does it good.

For when a cross gets put into the box, we look to some John Paul Young magic as "Love is in the air". The Troggs, then Wet Wet Wet told us that "Love is all around". If these songs don't get picked up by Tunna and the Blue and White Brigade, I hope that at least the fans of Diamond Valley United will sing a few in honour of their own Love clan.

If he's a bit of a dud, like Alessandro, cue some Tina Turner. "What's Love got to do, got to do with it? Who's Love, but a second rate Brazilian". Getting off track now, but I've always though Stubble makes a good nickname for a second rate Brazilian.

If he fails to deliver, he can be subjected to a variation of Soft Cell's Tainted Love by the boo boys on the terraces.

In the 80's, British duo Climie Fisher gave us "Love changes everything. Love breaks the rules." Save that one if he's got a bit of Kevin Muscat in him.

One of the biggest sellers of all time was Frampton Comes Alive. From that we can get "Ooh Leandro we Love your way every day". Just leave it at that line for now, I'm not sure we really wanna be with him night and day.

Hail the Sunshine! Melbourne Victory will be sharing the Love this coming A-league season

I hope in a post-game interview noted laughmeister Ernie Merrick will declare "We've got a groovy kind of Love". Wouldn't you agree?

Golden Earring's driving anthem Radar Love can have us singing "We've got a guy that's called Leandro Love. We've got a wave in the air, Leandro Love". No more speed, we're almost there. Gotta keep cool now, gotta take care.

Bob Sinclar endorses this transfer, urging us to "Feel the Love Generation".10CC disapprove, stating "We're not in love". They think this is a silly phase Melbourne Victory are going through.

"He is young. Heartache to heartache we stand. No promises, no demands.
Love on the battlefield". Pat Benatar pictures Leandro getting into the thick of the action.

Cheap Trick know the score. "If you want our Love you got him. If you need our Love you got him. Ernie don't hide him, don't throw our Love away".

Haddaway don't know who he is, but strangley feel he may be violent. "What is Love, Oh baby, don't hurt me, don't hurt me no more." Football fan Bob Marley want's to know "Is this Love - is this Love - is this Love - Is this Love that is playin?" Better release his squad number Melbourne Victory, people will want to know who he is.

By the end of the season will we be renaming the Telstra Dome to The House of Love? Inspired by East 17, will there be 55,000 plus fans chanting "Everybody, everybody in the House of Love, hey everybody, everybody in the House of Love, hey, everybody, everybody in the House of Love, hey, one love - one god, everybody in the House of Love! Not bothered about your colour, concerned about your creed, in the House of Love - everybody's free". You know it would be a beautiful thing.

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MELBOURNE KNIGHTS

By Andrew Fisher
Photos by Daniel Flis

BERGERS PENALISED!

Knights take vital points over old foes

A second minute penalty from Knights captain Tomislav Milardovic, was all that separate these old foes in a tightly contested game.

Heidelberg were forced to make changes from the squad that defeated Sunshine last week, missing were Sabljak through injury and Goutzioulis through suspension, Daniel Jones and Emir Ameti took their places respectively.

However the home side had a nightmare start to the game, when a well placed through ball from Iosifidies found Pelikan one on one with Galavas, who could only clip the heels of the dangerous forward. Milardovic coolly sent the keeper the wrong way, giving the Knights a dream start.

This seemed to spark Heidelberg into action, Vlahos and Petrovich looked potent on the wings giving the Knights back four a tough time. A Heidelberg corner was mis-judged by Knights keeper Cagalj, however Marinos was only able to shoot the resulting rebound over the bar.

Heidelberg started to control the midfield, with Marinos and Vlahos getting in some decent crosses but unable to find the head of Glavas. In the 20th minute, Vlahos went on a mazy run though the box, only to be stopped by a desperate Grbesa. Only 3 minutes later Marinos tried another run only to be stopped again by the under pressure Knights defence. In the 26th minute Glavas found himself in a good position in the box, but was unable to bring the ball under control.

It seemed as though Heidelberg were destined to find an equaliser, and they got close when a corner was swung in and Daniel Jones got in a great position, only for his header to be hit straight at Cagalj.

Towards the end of the half Knights started to gain midfield control, and won a free-kick on the edge of the area. Grbesa hit the free-kick well but it sailed just over the top corner, as Knights went into half-time with a 1-0 lead.

The second half began quite evenly with both sides trying to find some momentum; Stefan Piorkowski had to leave the field in the 52nd minute with an injury and was replaced by livewire Mate Dugandzic. But it was Heidelberg who again looked dangerous, with Vlahos putting through Marinos, only for Cagalj to beat him to the loose ball. Dugandzic tried his luck down the wings with a few runs but lacked support as the Knights concentrated on defending.

Heidelberg felt they had a penalty in the 65th minute, when a Vlahos run into the box was met with a hard challenge from Grbesa, but the referee deemed the challenge fair. A Heidelberg corner caused a scramble in the box, with the ball falling to Ouliaris whose shot was charged down by Grbesa.

It was Grbesa was almost gave the Knights a 2-0 lead when a free-kick in the 72nd minute was met by the defender and put into the back of the net, but he fouled the keeper in the process. A poor clearance from Karahan in the 80th minute found Matkovic in the box who set-up Watson, only for his shot to fly over the bar.

Heidelberg had a last minute chance to save a point, when a cross found Karahan open at the back post, who controlled the ball well, but shot straight into the side-netting, much to the despise of the Heidelberg faithful.

Knights move back up into the top six with the win, while Heidelberg are now a game out of the six. Next week Melbourne Knights host arch rivals South Melbourne at Knights Stadium while Heidelberg will battle it out with Fawkner.

MAN OF THE MATCH
MATTHEW GRBESA.
(Melbourne Knights)

Heidelberg United: Galavas, Jones, Ouliorius (Papoutsis 91'), Drossos, Glavas (Barakat 84'), Marinos, Vlahos, Petrovich, Dolevski, Karahan, Ameti (Abatzidis 70')
YELLOWS: Ouliaris, Vlahos

Melbourne Knights: Cagalj, Milardovic, Grbesa, Iosifidies, Franjic, Piorkowski (Dugandzic 52'), Matkovic, Kiratzoglou, Watson, Spiteri, Pelikan (Visevic 77')
YELLOWS: Grbesa

STATS:
GOALS: Milardovic (MK) 2'pen.
SHOTS: Heidelberg 6 Knights 4
TARGET: Heidelberg 3 Knights 2
CORNERS: Heidelberg 9 Knights 0
Crowd: 1,200 approx

Melbourne Knights' Joe Spiteri in the middle of a Berger sandwich

Heidelberg's Seb Petrovich wins a header in the midfield

Heidelberg 'keeper Glavas makes his mark in the penalty area

SUNSHINE GEORGIES 0 - 1 FAWKNER BLUES

By Addy Wetzler
Photos by Daniel Flis

TSIORLAS THROWS BLUES A LIFELINE

Georgies slip back into Bottom Four

Fawkner have survived a bruising encounter with fellow relegation battlers Sunshine to emerge from the Chaplin Reserve with three priceless points.

A Mark Tsiorlas strike on the verge of halftime proved enough to separate the two sides and send the Georgies to third-bottom on the Foxtel Cup ladder.

The home side made a dominant start to the match, Nicholas Kalmar testing Fawkner keeper Steven Tilovski from long range after just five minutes. With three corners in the opening ten minutes, Sunshine looked the only side likely to score, and came closest through a Vasko Trpcevski free kick in the 11th minute.

With Goran Talevski and Michael Esposito looking lively for the Georgies, Fawker's goal came very much against the run of play. Some scrappy defending from the home side allowed Mark Tsiorlas the time to turn in the box and strike the ball past lunging Sunshine keeper Martin John; the Blues striker finding the back of the net for the eighth time this season.

With both sides realising the significance of this essential 'six-pointer', the heat was turned up in the second half as tempers began to fray with clashes but on and off the ball. But despite the attack on the ball from both teams, chances on goal came few and far between.

Arguably the best chance of the second half fell to Sunshine manager Johnny Markovski, who brought himself on with twenty-five minutes remaining in a desperate attempt to salvage a result. Talevski's long-range free kick was parried onto the bar and fell to the waiting Markovski, who could only tap the ball straight at the relieved Tilovski from point blank range.

Bitterly disappointed postmatch, Markovski reflected on the performance. 'In patches we played well... we just didn't show enough urgency. Its a matter of the boys believing in themselves, and we'll take this one on the chin and concentrate on next week.'

His counterpart, Fawkner manager Luciano Trani, was clearly relieved with the morale-boosting win. 'Our team worked really hard today, its a credit to all the boys. They have to learn this level, what is required each week to survive and play in the Premier League.'

Man of the Match
Mark Tsiorlas
(Blues)

Georgies:M.John,M.Esposito, C.Azzopardi, V.Trpcevski, I.Tsoumerkas, A.opazo (J.Markovski 64'), D.Delic (M.Cini 54'), G.Talevski, A,Magnacca, N.Kalmar, R.Napoli

Blues: S.Tilovski, M.Bosevski (M.Alibeyi 46'), M.Siciliano, C.Recchia,D.Rocco, M.Tsiorlas (M.Impombiato 77'), M.Vazocci, M.Packovski, D.Pilic, J.Principato, E.Karavitis

Scorer: M.Tsiorlas 43'

Crowd: 400

Match winner Mark Tsiorlas is joined by team-mates Michael Packovski and Evan Karavitis to celebrate the goal that was critically important to the Blues' survival hopes.

Georgies' keeper Martin John is unable to stop Tsiorlas' strike on goal

Goran Talevski rises high to outjump his Fawkner opponent.

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WHITTLESEA ZEBRAS 2 - 0 RICHMOND EAGLES

By Mark Boric
Photos by Daniel Flis

ZEBRAS CONSOLIDATE TOP SIX SPOT

Eagles left to rue chances

Whittlesea Zebras ended Richmond's slim Top Six hopes and out them into the midst of the relegation battle with a 2-0 win at home at Epping Stadium on Sunday night.

The Eagles began brightly, and in the second minute Henry Fa'arodo cutting in from the left but having his shot blocked. From the rebound Steve Burton also had a shot smothered before the Zebras countered, with Stuart Webster forced to dive off his line to cut out a cross by Hamlet Armenian.

Two minutes later there was a scramble in the box after a cross from Mark Pistinizzi. Eric Vassiliadis headed the ball back towards the penalty spot and two shots were blocked and Webster made a save before the danger was finally relieved.

After intercepting a stray pass by Vassiliadis, Fa'arodo went on a run before shooting just wide of the target in the twelfth minute. Niether side had established a superiority, and play was flowing from end to end. Three minutes later Josip Kozic shot over the cross bar after making some space for himself having received the ball from a throw-in nearby the corner flag.

Joey Di Iorio, on the comeback trail after a serious injury which saw him abort a move to Kingston in transfer deadline week, played a ball out to Yanni Galanos who crossed for Ben Watson to head at goal. Kenny Gerochristodoulou was untroubled in saving the header, as the twenty minute mark passed without either side bothering the scoreboard operator.

Pistinizzi forced Webster into another save coming off his line to deal with the cross delivered by the Zebras fullback. On the half hour mark Kristian Rees was booked when beaten for pace by Fa'arodo who was cutting across him when felled by a crude challenge.

Steve Martin forced Webster to punch the ball away with a free-kick in the thirty-fourth minute. Di Iorio had a tame shot saved by Gerochristodoulou at the near post a moment later.

There was a flurry of action in the final minutes before the break.Vassiliadis forced a great save from Webster to keep Richmond in the game. Fa'arodo again tested Gerochrisodoulou at his near post at the other end. Fa'arodo then shot over after playing a one-two with Drew Laurence at the top of the box. When the whistle was blown the sides still remained deadlocked at 0-0.

The stalemate was broken just two minutes after the resumption of play. Armenian cut into the box from the left and was adjudged to have been brought down by Marco Kuck as he shaped up to try and beat Webster. Kozic stepped up to take the spot kick, and made no mistake in despatching the ball past Webster who had correctly dived to his right hand post and give Whittlesea the lead.

Four minutes later Gerochristodoulou saved a volley from Laurence after a cross by Galanos. Any hopes of an Eagles comeback were dashed in the fifty-fifth minute when the Zebras doubled their lead. A free kick on the left of the penalty area was quickly laid off to Vassiliadis who lashed an unstoppable drive into the net from twenty-five yards.

The Zebras were content to sit on their lead and the game fizzled out from that point on. Chances became few and far between, with Watson shooting over in the seventy-fourth minute after Graham Hockless sent in a cross which was partially cleared. Defender Craig McIlwain was pushed forward by the Eagles, and with ten mintes remaining his shot saw a loud shot for handball in the box turned down by referee Laz Vassiliadis. Hockless shot wide four minutes later, before the Zebras confortably held out to record a win which secured their grip on a spot in the Top Six.

Man of the Match
Steve Martin
(Whittlesea)

Whittlesea: Gerochristodoulou, Antoniadis, Rees, Angelovski (Sherman 86'), Pistinizzi, Drakos, Martin, Vassiliadis, Kozic, Apostolakis (Butorins 87'), Armenian.

Goals: Kozic 49' Vassiliadis 55'

Yellow Cards: Rees 31'

Richmond: Stuart Webster, Burton, McCluskey, Watson, Galanos (Rexhepi 65'), Fa'arodo, Hockless, Laurence (Simon Webster 65'), Kuck, Di Iorio (Sulemani 86').

Richmond's Stuart Webster comes off his line to take a fingertip save against the Zebras last night.

Josip Kozic hands some close attention to Eagles' Henry Fa'arodo during the 2-0 win by the home side.

ROUND 16

PACK MAKES GROUND AS PINES DROP POINTS

With only six rounds of the season remaining now, round sixteen loomed as the chance for promotion-chasing teams to consolidate their positions ahead of the run home. However, the bottleneck at the top of the ladder has only worsened at the conclusion of the weekend's games, with the top four teams all within four points of each other, and others not far off.

This is mainly due to Frankston's shock 1-1 draw with Westgate on Saturday afternoon at Monterey Reserve. Yes, Westgate, the same team which was defeated by the then-bottom team, Port Melbourne mid-week. The Pines managed to kick-off the game in good fashion, scoring through Nick Waite in the first half, and looking highly likely to score again. Westgate managed to hold on until half-time, and somehow emerged from the break a completely different team to the one from the first half. They were able to stem the flow of Frankston attacks early, and what's more, they rebounded to score a well-earned goal via Slobodan Bubulj. Westgate, determined to hold on to the draw, then sat back and defended the desperate Pines' attempts for a winner successfully, leaving the match locked in a stalemate.

Bentleigh must have sensed opportunity knocking during their clash with Dandenong at George Andrews Reserve on Saturday night. Opportunity that is, to make up some ground on Frankston, because judging by the way they went about methodically dismantling the Thunder defence on the way to their 2-0 win, they were an inspired team. While the scoreline may paint the picture of a fairly close victory, the fact is this was a display of a team worthy of promotion to the Foxtel Cup. While Ben Cogger and Fikret Husanovic managed to score, both coming in the first half, the score should have been more. Barring some possible complacency in the second half with the win already secured, and a more disciplined Dandenong side, it probably would have been.

Discipline, or lack of, also cost the St Albans side in yesterday's 2-1 loss to the Southern Stars at Churchill Reserve. The first half finished goalless, which was the only realistic outcome from the cagey opening term which you could well expect from the Saints, who have drawn four out of their past six matches. After half time, both sides went in search of that elusive goal, which Saint Tomi Razov found first. This was too soon to be celebrating for a St Albans fan though, as Coffie Stemn Jnr of the Stars equalised not long later. Soon after this, a defensive lapse from St Albans cost them dearly as Vincent Bontemps capitalised, putting the Southern Stars in the box seat with the lead during the dying stages of the second half.

The last time Brunswick and Coburg met was at the start of the season when both teams were looking to be genuine contenders. Much has changed since the first meeting, with Brunswick languishing in eighth place, but Coburg have maintained their place at the top end of the ladder, so it was only logical that they were favourites for Saturday evening's clash at Knights Stadium. This favouritism looked to be well justified when Coburg began strongly and were rewarded with Serkan Oksuz scoring the match opener. This goal, rather than demoralising the Brunswick players, spurred them on. They could not find an equaliser before half-time though, although with some changes, were able to score in the second half with Cameron Drake netting his second goal for the season.

On the other hand, not much has changed between Langwarrin and North Geelong since last time. The Warriors are still in the relegation zone, while Langwarrin have been more successful, but still produced the same one goal victory during their match at Elcho Park on Saturday. Barry Tulloch's first half goal set Langwarrin up for a repeat of their 1-0 win at the beginning of the season, which they would have intended on holding on to. So it must have come as something of a wake-up call when Mark Paleka equalised for the Warriors. Alarm bells were ringing, but luckily for Langwarrin, the away side managed to respond with Adam Poole scoring the sealer, allowing them to keep chase on the top two positions thanks to the 2-1 triumph.

Points were also extra-valuable over at Comets Stadium on Saturday when the Casey Comets hosted Post Melbourne. The 2-1 final score, in favour of the Comets is in total contrast to the 4-2 shock win by the Sharks last time these two sides met. Craig Platt scored first for the home side to capitalise on some fine passing movements early in the first half, before Port's Nick Agetzis put both teams on level terms midway through the second half. This goal looked to be the impetus that the Sharks needed to win their third game in a row, but as the Comets refused to accept defeat, Anthony Ciccarelli was able to score to put the Comets in front, to the relief of the home crowd.

The three points now puts a considerable gap between the two teams, and more importantly, relegation, ahead of a tough match next Saturday against Langwarrin. Casey now have an eight point gap on the Sharks, as opposed to a two point gap should Port Melbourne have won.

Division One action between frankston Pine and Westgate

Goalmouth action between St Albans and Southern Stars.

By Jeremy O'Neill

Photos: S.Starek & D.Kennedy

THIS WEEK'S FIXTURES

Port Melbourne v Coburg Utd
SS Anderson Oval Fri 3 Aug 8:30PM

Brunswick City v St. Albans Saints
Dunstan Reserve Sat 4 Aug 3:00PM

Southern Stars v Dandenong Thunder
Ross Reserve Sat 4 Aug 3:00PM

Westgate v North Geelong Warriors
Ardeer Reserve Sat 4 Aug 7:00PM

Langwarrin v Casey Comets
Lawton Park Reserve Sat 4 Aug 3:00PM

Bentleigh Greens v Frankston Pines
Kingston Heath Soccer Sun 5 Aug 3:00PM

DIVISION ONE RESULTS

Casey Comets 2 (A Ciccarelli, C Platt) **Port Melbourne 1** (NJ Agetzis) (HT: 1-0), **North Geelong Warriors 1** (M Paleka) **Langwarrin 2** (A Poole, B Tulloch) (HT: 0-1), **Frankston Pines 1** (N Waite) **Westgate 1** (S Bubulj) (HT: 1-0), **Coburg Utd 1** (S Oksuz) **Brunswick City 1** (C Drake) (HT: 1-0), **Dandenong Thunder 0 Bentleigh Greens 2** (B Cogger, F Husanovic) (HT: 0-2), **St. Albans Saints 1** (T Razov) **Southern Stars 2** (V Bontemps, CK Stemn Jnr) (HT: 0-0)

RESERVE DETAILS

Casey Comets 1 Port Melbourne 4, North Geelong Warriors 1 Langwarrin 3, Frankston Pines 3 Westgate 1, Coburg Utd 7 Brunswick City 0, Dandenong Thunder 2 Bentleigh Greens 1 (HT: 1-0), St. Albans Saints 1 Southern Stars 0

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Coburg Utd	14	10	3	1	41	11	33
Langwarrin	15	9	1	5	37	22	28
Frankston Pines	16	7	4	5	22	15	25
Dandenong Thunder	15	8	1	6	24	27	25
Brunswick City	16	8	0	8	27	25	24
St. Albans Saints	15	7	2	6	22	21	23
North Geelong Warriors	16	6	4	6	20	25	22
Westgate	16	6	2	8	23	22	20
Port Melbourne	16	5	5	6	19	19	20
Bentleigh Greens	15	4	5	6	15	23	17
Southern Stars	16	3	4	9	11	21	13
Casey Comets	16	4	1	11	13	43	13

DIVISION ONE STANDINGS

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Frankston Pines	16	10	3	3	23	7	33
Bentleigh Greens	16	10	2	4	25	17	32
Langwarrin	16	9	4	3	22	15	31
Coburg Utd	15	9	3	3	26	10	30
St. Albans Saints	16	6	8	2	25	18	26
Southern Stars	16	7	4	5	21	15	25
Westgate	16	5	4	7	18	32	19
Brunswick City	16	4	6	6	21	24	18
Casey Comets	16	5	2	9	21	27	17
Dandenong Thunder	14	5	1	8	22	24	16
Port Melbourne	15	3	0	12	15	31	9
North Geelong Warriors	16	2	1	13	14	33	7

Gas Bagging, News & Views

TSIGAN'S TSIGAR

BACK FROM THE BRINK THE SPIRIT OF HELLAS

South Melbourne announced its intentions with uber cacophony, and mega force Friday Nacht, with a resounding smashing of Dur-bee opponents Oakleigh.

I came to the game ready to report on the demise and misery of the once mighty Hellas, the Standard Bearer for Hellenic Clubs this side of Piraeus. I was preparing to elaborate on the fall of a once mighty dynasty, akin to the Athenians of old 'yore, who had the world at their feet, and yet lost their slippers with the pom poms on top.

There was going to be an indiscriminate unearthing of why, why, why…this once Gargantuan, with grouse silverware, trophies, accolades, charisma and flair; had become a shell of its former self, and fast becoming the brunt of bad jokes amongst all the "sister" clubs.

All this paled into obscurity, folly and insignificance as I witnessed the Phoenix emerge from the ashes. The reason was simple. The boys played like South Melbourne HELLAS.
Remember that team in the 50's, 60's , 70's, 80's and the magical 90's? The un-politically correct one. Yes, that's going to hurt the racial purists who are trying to de-ethnicize the football populace of this brilliant city and my head is on the block as I pen these words, but in the wonderful words of William Wallace, " It's all ferr nothin' if yoo don' have yer freedom!"

GREAT RANT AND NOW FOR THE JUICE.

I rocked up, and I felt the stiff breeze hit my nose and ears like an icicle on an Arctic Vendetta. The atmosphere was nay non existent, until out of the blue a cry of "**** off Oakleigh!" pierced my eardrum and heart. I shuddered. It CAN'T be like this, surely. THIS sort of animosity is reserved for the Tsigan League, NOT VPL. I earnestly waited for the tranquility of a pin dropping. It beats bird droppings hand down, filthy buggers.

The 1st half was a series of missed chances, and comical refereeing. For the life of me, I never understood the mentality of refs, who believe THEY are what the crowd payed to see. AS IF the vast throng of supporters want, or expect the referee to be seen, let alone heard. The Merv Hughes-David Boon man in black should definitely get windscreen wipers on his iris or pupils, and restrain or confine his boorish antics to the solitude of his own bedroom.

The Koubouloi brothers were swirling ferociously, Leo and Bruno were larfing hysterically and the jiggy jiggy from the upstairs nightclub was pumpink the nickel.
For the first 30 odd minutes, these served as the distraction as Rigor Mortis had set in amongst the seated faithful, and clapping or cheering other than the usual, "…should've given it earlier…" would have set the stand alight.

INTERMISSION

The sympathy throw.
You know the one. Some player goes down grabbing every part of his body, his own teammates keep playing into attack until they lose the ball, get hit on the counter and scream blue murder when they don't put the ball out of play. Second scenario is where the opposition put the ball out of play, and receive a sympathy throw-in 500 miles from where they had the ball, to the claps of the purists who should be playing chess rather than analyze a football game. Scrap it. If your own teammates don't give a brother a hand, why should the terrorists on the counter?

SECOND HALF SHALACKINGS

It was, for awhile, a 'keeper's night out. Saves here, saves there….but what the fans paid to see, they saw…and with wow and woah!! It rained goals. In 45 minutes of football, we watched, enthralled, by the wonders of the football spirit. The drive to succeed, along with the need to exceed. 6 goals spilled over in a spell that had all present speechless and dumbfounded.

Up stepped Diac' the Mac. I called it. He struck it. The San Siro erupted. Krakatoa said hello, and the Manhattan Project wept…as the ball sailed, spun, dipped and propped, taking a couple of coats of the crossbar, and nestled into the net. Number Seven. The final nail en the cough in. Diac' is the Mac. When the whistle drew the game to a close, the relief was a definitive old woman, smiling whilst nodding her head in contentment. All that was missing was the chewy tobacco and a double barrel shotgun. Now THAT'S contentment.

POST SCRIPTUS

Had a great chat with legend Dean Anastasiadis after the game, and the big man is well on the way to recovery. His legion of fans, and security personnel will be thrilled to know that he is but 3 weeks away from a full nelson, and optimistic about the team's chances for a finals berth. To his credit, sportsmanship, team ethos and unequivocal humility, he is willing to pass on the opportunity to play, if young "fill-in" 'keeper, Mitchell Langerak, holds his fine form.

TS "Are we gonna see you go doo-lalee in the box this year, or are you done mother goose?"
D.A "I've had a great career with no regrets, and even though I'm gearing myself up to be a chance for the finals, I would gladly watch young Mitch prove himself as number one, and continue to lead the boys out. South has found form at the right time, and considering we have not scored for a month, to put five away tonight against a team as strong as Oakleigh, it shows we are back."

TS "I love your body"
D.A "You're a malaka, I love you too. You're huge bro, you eating horses now? You goin'to the WWE or what?

TS " I have been approached by Vince, but I'm going to pass, as the drugs AKA Steroids and I don't see eye to eye."

A tad later, I had a more personal interlude with my bello, class striker, former VPL Player of the Year and all round nice guy, Ricky Diaco.

TS "Bello, you move me in ways I can only dream about. The double you scored, the ones you set up, were not only quality, but showed exactly your class and grandissimo."
RD "Cheers bello, I'm just wrapped we won. The boys were fantastic tonight. We really wanted this one."

TS "Typical, I'm praising you, and you praise your teammates."
RD "Ah, bello…you gotta love this club. The history, the supporters, the atmosphere is something special. John (Anastasiadis) has been after me for a few years, and now that he has me, he has given me free reign to be able to play how I play best. That's the best thing. I like to create, although scoring's better. I just like being involved, you know?"

TS "So you staying here, or scaramooshing the fandango?"
RD "You're sick. I'm going to stay here for a while to prove myself. You never know what's around the corner, and I have to be ready. Till then, I just want to keep up there and make sure the Club is happy."

TS "Bro, you can make a Fascist Dictator smile during Blitzkrieg."
RD "Cheers bello, its always a pleasure."

So there it is in the nutshell of my rather simple mind, a night well spent with old friends, and a new beginning for a club which looked as if it was destined for the annals of anals.

Ponder this while you go for a whizzer at 3am in your mate's backyard after a haard night's day.
Training with an ipod is not only tacky, but frikkin' uncool.
Miguel Herrera has a mullet, and it looks grouse.
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ROUND SIXTEEN

NORTH WEST 2

Seniors

Keilor Park 7 (P Tawaf, S Mussel 2, P Spiteri, P Galea, G Mussel, M Oliveira) Lalor Utd 0 (HT: 2-0), Altona City 1 (C Cullen) Altona East Phoenix 6 (M Tolli 2, DR Prossimo 3) (HT: 1-2), Moreland City 1 (JJ Pepe) Thomastown Devils 3 (C Gonullu, N Ismail 2) (HT: 1-0), Williamstown 0 Maribyrnong Greens 1 (A Redzepovic) (HT: 0-0), Werribee City 2 (M Collins, A Barbieri) Pascoe Vale 0 (HT: 1-0), Yarraville Glory 3 (E Kasapis 3) Sunbury Utd 3 (V Kalayci, A Muscat 2) (HT: 2-2)

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Keilor Park	16	10	6	0	30	9	36
Pascoe Vale	16	8	4	4	17	10	28
Werribee City	15	6	8	1	22	12	26
Maribyrnong Greens	15	7	2	6	26	24	23
Altona City	16	6	4	6	27	28	22
Williamstown	16	7	1	8	19	25	22
Altona East Phoenix	16	5	6	5	26	13	21
Sunbury Utd	16	5	6	5	24	25	21
Thomastown Devils	16	6	3	7	23	24	21
Moreland City	16	5	5	6	22	23	20
Yarraville Glory	16	4	4	8	18	28	16
Lalor Utd	16	1	1	14	13	46	4

Reserves

Keilor Park 2 Lalor Utd 0 (HT: -), Altona City 3 Altona East Phoenix 2 (HT: -), Moreland City 0 Thomastown Devils 1 (HT: -), Williamstown 1 Maribyrnong Greens 1 (HT: -), Werribee City 3 Pascoe Vale 1 (HT: -), Yarraville Glory 0 Sunbury Utd 1 (HT: -)

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Thomastown Devils	15	12	3	0	30	8	39
Keilor Park	16	10	3	3	28	16	33
Altona City	16	9	5	2	21	10	32
Moreland City	16	8	4	4	27	11	28
Pascoe Vale	16	6	4	6	15	16	22
Maribyrnong Greens	14	6	3	5	23	18	21
Sunbury Utd	14	5	5	4	16	15	20
Werribee City	15	6	2	7	22	27	20
Altona East Phoenix	16	5	2	9	13	20	17
Williamstown	16	4	3	9	12	19	15
Lalor Utd	16	2	2	12	13	34	8
Yarraville Glory	16	1	2	13	13	39	5

SOUTH EAST 2

Seniors

Doncaster Rovers 2 (M Santaro, R Nasser) FC Clifton Hill 4 (L Grounds, BE Harbinson 2, G Karkaletsis) (HT: 1-2), Diamond Valley Utd 1 (B Love) Waverley Wanderers 1 (A Gungordu) (HT: 1-0), Knox City 2 (H Swami, K Suat) Heatherton Utd 2 (Z Buljubasic 2) (HT: 2-0), Chelsea 1 (I Gelemanovic) Templestowe Eagles 1 (D Marino) (HT: 0-0), South Springvale 2 (I Diniotis 2) Stonnington City 0 (HT: 0-0), North Caulfield Northcote City (HT: -)

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Diamond Valley Utd	16	9	4	3	29	14	31
South Springvale	16	8	6	2	32	17	30
FC Clifton Hill	16	8	4	4	31	23	28
Doncaster Rovers	16	8	3	5	23	13	27
Waverley Wanderers	16	7	6	3	26	18	27
Chelsea	16	7	4	5	25	16	25
Knox City	16	6	6	4	20	17	24
Northcote City	15	5	5	5	14	17	20
Stonnington City	15	3	4	8	19	31	13
Templestowe Eagles	15	3	2	10	16	38	11
North Caulfield	15	1	6	8	10	21	9
Heatherton Utd	14	1	4	9	12	32	7

Reserves

Doncaster Rovers 1 FC Clifton Hill 1 (HT: -), Diamond Valley Utd 0 Waverley Wanderers 1 (HT: -), Knox City 0 Heatherton Utd 0 (HT: -), Chelsea 2 Templestowe Eagles 1 (HT: -), South Springvale 1 Stonnington City 0 (HT: -), North Caulfield Northcote City (HT: -)

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Knox City	16	10	3	3	24	11	33
Chelsea	15	9	4	2	28	11	31
Doncaster Rovers	16	8	4	4	39	23	28
Waverley Wanderers	16	9	1	6	26	25	28
FC Clifton Hill	16	8	2	6	26	16	26
Northcote City	15	7	4	4	23	23	25
Diamond Valley Utd	16	7	3	6	26	16	24
South Springvale	16	5	2	9	17	27	17
Stonnington City	15	4	3	8	20	34	15
Heatherton Utd	15	3	3	9	11	23	12
North Caulfield	15	3	3	9	10	27	12
Templestowe Eagles	15	3	2	10	18	32	11

NORTH WEST 3

Seniors

Plenty Valley Lions 1 (C Emsovski) Ballarat Red Devils 9 (J Romein, S Digirolamo 4, D Swinton, AB Lymn 3) (HT: 1-2), Geelong Rangers 2 (D Corry, D Stocki) Avondale Heights 1 (F Gugliandolo) (HT: 0-0), La Trobe University 3 (P Devvono, P Umina, JP Clark) Westvale 2 (A Inglese, J Parousis) (HT: 1-1), Sydenham Park 1 (R Nedelkov) Banyule City 0 (HT: 1-0), Lalor 5 (G Georgiadis 2, D Christou, K Papagiantsis, D Alevizos) Corio 0 (HT: 3-0), Cairnlea 1 (C Georgiou) Geelong 1 (A Longo) (HT: 0-0)

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Ballarat Red Devils	16	10	1	5	33	21	31
Lalor	16	8	6	2	29	19	30
Cairnlea	15	8	4	3	33	16	28
Geelong	16	8	4	4	20	12	28
La Trobe University	16	8	2	6	30	21	26
Banyule City	16	7	4	5	24	19	25
Geelong Rangers	16	7	2	7	27	30	23
Sydenham Park	16	6	1	9	20	30	19
Westvale	16	5	3	8	20	23	18
Plenty Valley Lions	16	5	2	9	19	38	17
Avondale Heights	16	4	3	9	23	29	15
Corio	15	2	2	11	15	35	8

Reserves

Plenty Valley Lions 1 Ballarat Red Devils 1 (HT: -), Geelong Rangers 0 Avondale Heights 1 (HT: -), La Trobe University 2 Westvale 1 (HT: -), Sydenham Park 3 Banyule City 1 (HT: -), Lalor 3 Corio 0 (HT: -), Cairnlea 3 Geelong 0 (HT: -)

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Lalor	15	10	4	1	37	13	34
La Trobe University	16	10	3	3	30	10	33
Ballarat Red Devils	16	9	3	4	27	18	30
Westvale	16	9	1	6	24	18	28
Cairnlea	15	8	2	5	25	21	26
Geelong	16	8	2	6	20	20	26
Sydenham Park	16	7	3	6	26	21	24
Plenty Valley Lions	16	6	5	5	28	31	23
Avondale Heights	16	4	3	9	18	28	15
Banyule City	15	3	1	11	11	28	10
Corio	15	2	3	10	17	33	9
Geelong Rangers	16	2	2	12	17	39	8

SOUTH EAST 3

Seniors

Doveton 1 Nunawading City 0 (HT: 0-0), Berwick City 1 (S Mur) Fitzroy City 0 (HT: 1-0), Mooroolbark 0 Endeavour Utd 2 (D Ithier, T Ithier) (HT: 0-1), Southern Suburbs 0 Sandringham City 0 (HT: 0-0), Springvale City 1 (F Korkaric) Eastern Lions 1 (B Ziada) (HT: 0-1), Morwell Pegasus 1 (F Albanese) Frankston Strikers 0 (HT: 0-0)

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Eastern Lions	16	10	2	4	28	20	32
Frankston Strikers	15	10	1	4	37	19	31
Endeavour Utd	14	10	0	4	28	11	30
Doveton	16	9	0	7	25	28	27
Morwell Pegasus	15	8	0	7	24	23	24
Springvale City	16	7	2	7	27	27	23
Southern Suburbs	15	7	1	7	22	21	22
Berwick City	15	7	0	8	24	23	21
Sandringham City	16	6	2	8	20	24	20
Nunawading City	16	5	1	10	19	27	16
Mooroolbark	16	5	1	10	17	33	16
Fitzroy City	16	4	0	12	21	36	12

Reserves

Doveton 3 Nunawading City 0 (HT: -), Berwick City 0 Fitzroy City 3 (HT: -), Mooroolbark 0 Endeavour Utd 0 (HT: -), Southern Suburbs 0 Sandringham City 0 (HT: -), Springvale City 0 Eastern Lions 6 (HT: -), Morwell Pegasus 2 Frankston Strikers 0 (HT: -)

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Mooroolbark	16	8	7	1	20	10	31
Sandringham City	16	8	5	3	35	13	29
Fitzroy City	16	8	5	3	34	25	29
Nunawading City	16	7	4	5	27	16	25
Eastern Lions	16	7	4	5	24	17	25
Morwell Pegasus	16	7	4	5	21	16	25
Doveton	15	7	2	6	25	17	23
Berwick City	15	5	4	6	18	16	19
Southern Suburbs	15	4	5	6	13	21	17
Endeavour Utd	14	3	5	6	13	17	14
Frankston Strikers	15	4	2	9	19	38	14
Springvale City	16	1	1	14	6	49	4

PROVI 1 NORTH WEST

Seniors

North Sunshine Eagles 2 (G Muslia, K Ristevski) Hoppers Crossing 0 (HT: 1-0), Western Eagles 2 (D Murdaca, R Pete) Glenroy 0 (HT: 1-0), Melbourne University Rangers 1 (PJ Grigg) Darebin Utd 1 (J Nikolarakos) (HT: 0-0), West Preston 0 Hume Utd 2 (E Karasungur 2) (HT: 0-2), Elwood City 2 (L Lovell, D Hopper) South Yarra 2 (L Hodgetts, RJ Flint) (HT: 0-1), Laverton Park 0 Melbourne City 0 (HT: 0-0)

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
North Sunshine Eagles	16	11	2	3	36	13	35
Laverton Park	16	9	5	2	30	14	32
Hume Utd	16	9	4	3	36	20	31
South Yarra	16	8	5	3	20	16	29
Glenroy	16	8	3	5	29	18	27
Melbourne Uni Rangers	16	6	6	4	23	16	24
Western Eagles	16	6	5	5	21	24	23
Hoppers Crossing	16	5	1	10	15	25	16
Elwood City	16	4	4	8	15	25	16
Melbourne City	16	3	5	8	18	22	14
Darebin Utd	16	2	6	8	12	35	12
West Preston	16	0	4	12	12	39	4

Reserves

North Sunshine Eagles 0 Hoppers Crossing 1 (HT: -), Western Eagles 0 Glenroy 0 (HT: -), Melbourne University Rangers 3 Darebin Utd 0 (HT: -), West Preston 1 Hume Utd 1 (HT: -), Elwood City 1 South Yarra 0 (HT: -), Laverton Park 0 Melbourne City 2 (HT: -)

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
South Yarra	16	14	0	2	36	8	42
Melbourne Uni Rangers	16	11	0	5	24	10	33
West Preston	16	8	4	4	22	22	28
Elwood City	16	6	6	4	20	15	24
Hume Utd	16	6	5	5	17	17	23
Melbourne City	16	5	5	6	14	18	20
Hoppers Crossing	16	5	4	7	16	26	19
North Sunshine Eagles	15	4	4	7	20	24	16
Glenroy	16	4	4	8	18	23	16
Laverton Park	15	3	6	6	15	20	15
Western Eagles	16	3	4	9	10	17	13
Darebin Utd	16	3	4	9	11	23	13

PROVI 1 SOUTH EAST

Seniors

Riversdale 0 Monbulk 4 (B Adams, D Adams 2, A Cowie) (HT: 0-3), Brandon Park 3 (R Benedos, I Tzintzis, JJ Collard) Berwick Kings 0 (HT: 0-0), Warragul Utd 3 (P Cooper, M Jackson, MK Lewry) White Star Dandenong 2 (A Szlawski, JV Bucello) (HT: 2-1), Noble Park Utd 2 (A Jankovic, HJ De Robillard) Old Melburnians 0 (HT: 1-0), Rowville Eagles 1 (R Jurj) Lyndale Utd 0 (HT: 0-0), Monash University 0 Croydon City Arrows 4 (A Ciavarella, J Videkanic, M Zoppos 2) (HT: 0-1)

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Brandon Park	16	11	4	1	33	16	37
Croydon City Arrows	16	9	3	4	34	23	30
Monbulk	16	8	5	3	34	16	29
Monash University	16	7	2	7	33	31	23
Rowville Eagles	16	6	5	5	22	24	23
White Star Dandenong	16	6	4	6	27	35	22
Warragul Utd	16	5	5	6	30	24	20
Noble Park Utd	16	5	4	7	27	30	19
Berwick Kings	16	6	1	9	27	37	19
Old Melburnians	16	5	3	8	31	35	18
Riversdale	16	4	3	9	23	33	15
Lyndale Utd	16	3	3	10	26	43	12

Reserves

Riversdale 2 Monbulk 2 (HT: -), Brandon Park 0 Berwick Kings 2 (HT: -), Warragul Utd 1 White Star Dandenong 0 (HT: -), Noble Park Utd 2 Old Melburnians 2 (HT: -), Rowville Eagles 1 Lyndale Utd 1 (HT: -), Monash University 2 Croydon City Arrows 0 (HT: -)

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Lyndale Utd	16	10	5	1	36	18	35
Warragul Utd	16	10	3	3	31	18	33
Croydon City Arrows	16	8	4	4	27	15	28
Riversdale	16	8	3	5	20	16	27
Monash University	16	8	2	6	33	15	26
Berwick Kings	16	6	4	6	19	22	22
Old Melburnians	15	4	6	5	21	15	18
Noble Park Utd	16	4	6	6	12	16	18
Rowville Eagles	15	3	8	4	16	18	17
Monbulk	16	3	7	6	19	23	16
Brandon Park	16	3	6	7	11	25	15
White Star Dandenong	16	0	2	14	6	50	2

PROVI 2 NORTH WEST

Seniors

Brimbank City 1 (A Kablar) Northern Falcons 1 (A Scibilia) (HT: 1-0), Bell Park 1 (A Reed) North City Lions 1 (V Schiafone) (HT: 1-1), Uni. of Melbourne 2 (DA Keers, HR Whalan) Whittlesea Utd 0 (HT: 1-0), Collingwood City 0 Keon Park 0 (HT: 0-0), Moreland Utd 1 (A Napolitano) Melbourne Tornado 2 (L Stolica 2) (HT: 1-1), Mill Park 1 (H Al Hassany) Brimbank 4 (C Barrera 2, A Rodriguez, B Scicluna) (HT: 0-4)

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Whittlesea Utd	16	12	2	2	48	17	38
Keon Park	15	10	3	2	32	15	33
Melbourne Tornado	14	10	1	3	35	20	31
Brimbank City	16	7	5	4	33	16	26
Collingwood City	16	7	4	5	24	17	25
Moreland Utd	16	7	3	6	32	35	24
North City Lions	16	5	5	6	24	28	20
Bell Park	16	5	4	7	18	24	19
Northern Falcons	16	4	4	8	24	26	16
Uni. of Melbourne	16	4	3	9	23	27	15
Brimbank	15	4	1	10	17	44	13
Mill Park	16	0	3	13	13	54	3

Reserves

Brimbank City 5 Northern Falcons 1 (HT: -), Bell Park 0 North City Lions 0 (HT: -), Uni. of Melbourne 2 Whittlesea Utd 2 (HT: -), Collingwood City 0 Keon Park 1 (HT: -), Moreland Utd 2 Melbourne Tornado 2 (HT: -), Mill Park 1 Brimbank 1 (HT: -)

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Keon Park	16	10	4	2	21	10	34
Northern Falcons	16	11	1	4	28	19	34
Collingwood City	16	8	4	4	30	15	28
North City Lions	16	6	6	4	25	12	24
Brimbank	15	7	3	5	23	20	24
Brimbank City	16	6	5	5	26	22	23
Whittlesea Utd	16	6	4	6	22	27	22
Bell Park	16	5	6	5	21	20	21
Moreland Utd	16	4	5	7	18	26	17
Melbourne Tornado	15	3	5	7	24	29	14
Uni. of Melbourne	16	3	4	9	15	24	13
Mill Park	16	1	3	12	19	48	6

PROVI 2 SOUTH EAST

Seniors

Seaford Utd 0 Caulfield Cobras 1 (P Alissaphos) (HT: 0-0), Scotch Old Boys 2 (B Whitaker, A Truong) Mornington 1 (LP Dobson) (HT: 1-0), Noble Park 0 Mitcham Utd 3 (J Spittle, L Marrone, L Smith) (HT: 0-2), Carrum Utd 1 (M Cordoma) Ashburton 2 (T Devenish, JA Clemson) (HT: 0-1), Old Trinity Grammarians 1 (A Hallam) Keysborough 1 (J Ramalinga) (HT: 0-0), Beaumaris 1 (TB Wyatt) Dandenong Sparrows 1 (J Adele) (HT: 0-0)

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Scotch Old Boys	16	12	2	2	31	10	38
Ashburton	16	10	4	2	35	14	34
Keysborough	16	10	2	4	31	21	32
Mornington	16	8	1	7	32	26	25
Dandenong Sparrows	16	6	6	4	18	21	24
Caulfield Cobras	16	6	5	5	21	18	23
Mitcham Utd	16	6	4	6	28	27	22
Beaumaris	16	5	2	9	19	26	17
Seaford Utd	16	4	4	8	21	24	16
Old Trinity Grammarians	16	4	3	9	21	28	15
Carrum Utd	16	3	3	10	14	34	12
Noble Park	16	4	0	12	27	49	12

Reserves

Seaford Utd 1 Caulfield Cobras 2 (HT: -), Scotch Old Boys 2 Mornington 0 (HT: -), Noble Park 0 Mitcham Utd 2 (HT: -), Carrum Utd 1 Ashburton 3 (HT: -), Old Trinity Grammarians 2 Keysborough 0 (HT: -), Beaumaris 1 Dandenong Sparrows 1 (HT: -)

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Scotch Old Boys	16	12	4	0	32	5	40
Caulfield Cobras	16	10	4	2	32	16	34
Mornington	16	9	0	7	32	21	27
Beaumaris	16	5	8	3	21	14	23
Old Trinity Grammarians	16	5	7	4	20	17	22
Ashburton	15	6	3	6	26	23	21
Keysborough	15	5	6	4	14	11	21
Mitcham Utd	16	4	5	7	17	28	17
Seaford Utd	16	4	4	8	31	31	16
Dandenong Sparrows	16	3	4	9	21	33	13
Carrum Utd	16	2	7	7	23	39	13
Noble Park	16	2	4	10	12	43	10

PROVI 3 NORTH WEST

Seniors

Essendon Utd 3 (A Andrevski, D Loschiavo, A Dimopoulos) Meadow Park 1 (B London) (HT: 2-1), Dallas Eagles Hallam A:A , Watsonia Heights 1 (R Duerden) Epping City 3 (PJ Mangion 2, C Spaliaras) (HT: 0-1), Northern Utd 1 (P Cincev) Melton 3 (J Turnaturi, S Paddon, S Mamo) (HT: 0-2), Youth Utd 2 (Y Battal 2) Reservoir Utd 0 (HT: 1-0), Brunswick Zebras 3 (D Romagnano, S Tirabassi, S Franzo) Ascot Vale 1 (F Aceiton) (HT: 0-1)

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Essendon Utd	15	11	2	2	40	18	35
Melton	15	10	4	1	38	15	34
Epping City	16	10	3	3	48	20	33
Dallas Eagles	15	10	3	2	33	12	33
Youth Utd	15	8	5	2	36	16	29
Watsonia Heights	16	8	3	5	32	23	27
Ascot Vale	16	4	3	9	25	31	15
Northern Utd	16	3	3	10	26	48	12
Brunswick Zebras	16	3	3	10	19	45	12
Meadow Park	16	2	4	10	24	40	10
Reservoir Utd	16	3	1	12	15	46	10
Hallam	14	2	4	8	20	42	7

Reserves

Essendon Utd 1 Meadow Park 0 (HT: -), Dallas Eagles 3 Hallam 0 (HT: -), Watsonia Heights 0 Epping City 0 (HT: -), Northern Utd 0 Melton 2 (HT: -), Youth Utd 3 Reservoir Utd 2 (HT: -), Brunswick Zebras 0 Ascot Vale 0 (HT: -)

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Dallas Eagles	16	9	3	4	33	15	30
Watsonia Heights	16	8	5	3	24	14	29
Essendon Utd	16	8	4	4	19	14	28
Melton	15	7	6	2	29	18	27
Youth Utd	15	8	3	4	30	24	27
Ascot Vale	16	4	10	2	16	17	22
Reservoir Utd	16	5	7	4	24	29	22
Epping City	16	4	7	5	26	17	19
Meadow Park	16	3	7	6	13	18	16
Brunswick Zebras	16	3	6	7	21	26	15
Hallam	16	2	4	10	14	29	7
Northern Utd	16	1	4	11	9	37	7

PROVI 3 SOUTH EAST

Seniors

Dandenong City 0 Boroondara Lions 4 (J Toumazou, JR Geribello 3) (HT: 0-1), Old Carey 3 (N Mote, D MacDonald, L Udorovic) Brighton 1 (P McCaig) (HT: 0-1), Eltham North 1 (BW Mulcahy) Ringwood City 4 (K Sarristavros 2, C Munro, S Campbell) (HT: 0-1), Endeavour Hills 0 Old Camberwell Grammar 2 (P Margin) (HT: 0-2), Old Brighton Grammarians 7 (C Zielinski 2, M Hunt, R Damiano, D Hall 2) Bundoora Utd 0 (HT: 5-0), Dandenong Warriors Bye (HT: -)

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Old Brighton Gramm	15	12	2	1	48	13	38
Old Camberwell Gramm	14	11	3	0	41	10	36
Old Carey	14	10	2	2	45	14	32
Boroondara Lions	15	8	5	2	28	10	29
Endeavour Hills	15	5	3	7	23	33	18
Dandenong City	14	5	1	8	24	28	16
Eltham North	15	4	4	7	15	25	16
Dandenong Warriors	14	4	2	8	17	26	14
Ringwood City	15	3	3	9	14	40	12
Brighton	15	3	1	11	20	32	10
Bundoora Utd	14	1	2	11	16	60	5

Reserves

Dandenong City 1 Boroondara Lions 0 (HT: -), Old Carey 2 Brighton 0 (HT: -), Eltham North 0 Ringwood City 2 (HT: -), Endeavour Hills 1 Old Camberwell Grammar 5 (HT: -), Old Brighton Grammarians 2 Bundoora Utd 1 (HT: -), Dandenong Warriors Bye (HT: -)

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Old Camberwell Grammar	14	10	3	1	37	17	33
Dandenong Warriors	14	10	2	2	36	15	32
Old Carey	14	9	3	2	33	10	30
Endeavour Hills	15	7	3	5	21	21	24
Old Brighton Grammarians	15	6	3	6	27	24	21
Brighton	15	5	4	6	17	18	19
Boroondara Lions	15	5	2	8	18	22	17
Ringwood City	15	3	6	6	17	21	15
Bundoora Utd	14	4	2	8	16	27	14
Dandenong City	14	2	3	9	13	42	9
Eltham North	15	1	5	9	12	30	8

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ROUND 17 FIXTURES

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State NW 2
Altona East Phoenix v Keilor Park
Paisley Park Soccer Complex KO 2:00PM
Sunbury Utd v Werribee City
Langama Park
Pascoe Vale v Williamstown SC
Hosken Reserve
Lalor Utd v Yarraville Glory
HR Uren Reserve
Maribyrnong Greens v Moreland City
Skinner Reserve
Thomastown Devils v Altona City
Epping Soccer Stadium

State SE 2
Stonnington City v Chelsea
Kooyong Reserve No. 3
Templestowe Eagles v Knox City
Wilson Reserve
Northcote City v South Springvale
John Cain Memorial Park
Heatherton Utd v Diamond Valley Utd
Bosnia & Herzegovina Centre
Waverley Wanderers v Doncaster Rovers
Carlson Reserve
Clifton Hill v North Caulfield
Quarries Park (ex Yambla Res)
Sun 5th Aug KO 3PM

State NW 3
Geelong v Lalor
Stead Park Reserve
Corio v Sydenham Park
Hume Reserve
Ballarat Red Devils v Cairnlea
Trekardo Park
Banyule City v La Trobe University
Yallambie Park Reserve
Westvale v Geelong Rangers
McKechnie Reserve
Avondale Heights v Plenty Valley Lions
Doyle Street Reserve

State SE 3
Frankston Strikers v Springvale City
Ballam Park
Eastern Lions v Southern Suburbs
Gardiners Creek Reserve
Nunawading City v Morwell Pegasus
Mahoneys Road Reserve
Sandringham City v Mooroolbark
RJ Sillitoe Reserve
Endeavour Utd v Berwick City
Reema Reserve
Fitzroy City v Doveton
Fairfield Park

Provi NW 1
Melbourne City v Elwood City
Edwards Reserve
South Yarra v West Preston
Fawkner Park
Hoppers Crossing v Laverton Park
Grange Reserve
Hume Utd v Melbourne University Rangers
Laura Douglas Reserve
Darebin Utd v Western Eagles
Mayer Park
Glenroy v North Sunshine Eagles
Strathnaver Reserve

Provi SE 1
Croydon City Arrows v Rowville Eagles
Dorset Recreational Reserve
Lyndale United SC v Noble Park Utd
Lyndale Secondary College
Monbulk v Monash University
Monbulk Recreation Reserve
Old Melburnians v Warragul Utd
Robert Menzies Reserve
White Star Dandenong v Brandon Park
Greaves Reserve
Berwick Kings v Riversdale
Betula Park

Provi NW 2
Brimbank v Moreland Utd
Italo-Australian Social Club
Melbourne Tornado v Collingwood City
Newmarket Reserve
Northern Falcons v Mill Park
Hayes Park
Keon Park v Uni. of Melbourne
JC Donath Reserve
Whittlesea Utd v Bell Park
To Be Confirmed
North City Lions v Brimbank City
Wallace Reserve

Provi SE 2
Dandenong Sparrows v Old Trinity Gramm
Fotheringham Reserve
Keysborough v Carrum Utd
Coomoora Reserve
Caulfield Cobras v Beaumaris
Victory Park
Ashburton v Noble Park
Ashburton Park
Mitcham Utd v Scotch Old Boys
Terrara Park
Mornington v Seaford Utd
Dallas Brooks Park

Provi NW 3
Ascot Vale v Youth Utd
Fairbairn Park
Reservoir Utd v Northern Utd
Cotchin Reserve
Meadow Park v Brunswick Zebras
Gladstone Park Reserve
Epping City v Hallam
Casa D'Abruzzo Club
Dallas Eagles v Essendon Utd
To Be Confirmed
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SANDY STRENGTHENS FINALS CLAIM

Sandringham was the only one of the chasing pack to enjoy victory in Round 16 of the Women's Premier League, as it strengthened its hold on the last available finals place with victory over Casey. In addition to Sandringham, the other top four teams also all achieved victories, while Bendigo Vipers picked up a crucial three points to boost its push to avoid relegation.

Two second half goals from Katerina Smith and Amanda Lawless proved the difference between Box Hill Inter and Eastern Lions at Wembley Park on Friday night, as the home side recorded its second successive victory to remain two points behind ladder leader Heidelberg. Eastern Lions, which is still an outside chance of being relegated, has often held its own against the top teams, but it has been unable to turn those performances into points, and this was its sixth consecutive defeat. The result keeps the Lions ninth, just three points ahead of relegation threatened Bendigo, and perhaps importantly, with a much worse goal difference.

Box Hill's Katrina Smith scored a goal yesterday to help beat Eastern Lions and keep the reigning Champs at the top of the WPL standings

Bendigo Vipers picked up a crucial victory at Beischer Oval on Saturday afternoon, defeating visiting Keilor Park, and effectively ending its opponent's hopes of making the finals in the process. The win, courtesy of a goal in each half, was only Bendigo's third of the season, but it puts it firmly back in touch with the teams above it on the ladder. Bendigo now has ten points, just one less than the University of Melbourne, which it still has to play twice this year, in matches which loom as real relegation deciders. The defeat will be a major disappointment for Keilor Park, as it, coupled with last weekend's loss, has left Keilor ten points outside the top five, with six games remaining. Whilst it may mathematically still be possible for Keilor to make the finals, it would require it to more than double the number of wins it has managed for the whole of the season so far.

Ashburton ensured that Preston Lions' resurgence was short lived, as it ran out 3-0 winner at BT Connor Reserve on Saturday. Annabelle Gibney bagged a brace, with Cindy Doussoye notching the other, to help Ashburton to its eleventh victory of the year, and maintain its tentative hold on third place. Preston Lions looked to have turned the corner from its disappointing mid-season run when it dispatched WVSA for six last weekend, but this defeat brought it back to earth, and has seriously dented its chances of making the finals. With Sandringham defeating Casey, Preston now finds itself five points adrift of the all important fifth place, and it is running out of time to close the gap.

By contrast, Sandringham's campaign to make the finals continued to build momentum, as it recorded its third successive win, this time defeating Casey Comets 2-0 at Comets Stadium on Sunday. It was a crucial game for both teams, with Casey also an outside prospect of snaffling the last finals berth, although this defeat could have spelled the end for those hopes. The visitor scored once in each half, and was able to keep Casey goalless, as Sandringham made it eight wins for the season and moved to 27 points, five clear of sixth-placed Preston. Casey, following its eighth defeat of the year, remains seventh, with eighteen points.

Eltham North kept up the pressure on Ashburton near the top of the ladder, as it cruised to a 5-1 victory over WVSA at Howard Glover Reserve. Three first half goals set the visiting side well on the way to victory, before it added another after the interval. Sarah Sumner scored the second half consolation goal for WVSA. Eltham remains fourth on the WPL ladder, level on points with Ashburton, with whom it is going point for point in these latter rounds of the season. The two are scheduled to meet in Round 18, in a match that should decide who ultimately claims third place on the ladder. WVSA's fate has been all but mathematically sealed for some time now, and it remains a fixture at the bottom of the ladder, ten points away from the safety of tenth.

Annabelle Gibney grabbed a double on the weekend as Ashburton defeated Preston Lions.

Belinda Pannella inspired Heidelberg United to victory at Princes Park on Sunday, as her hattrick enabled the club to remain at the top of the WPL ladder, with a 3-0 win over University of Melbourne. She scored twice in the first half, before sealing her hattrick after the interval, to help chalk up Heidelberg's thirteenth victory of the season. The result keeps Heidelberg two points clear of Box Hill at the top of the ladder and on track to claim the minor premiership. It was the University of Melbourne's second consecutive defeat, and it must start looking over its shoulder as Bendigo Vipers is now just a point behind it, and the relegation battle is potentially wide open.

Round 17 of the WPL begins next Saturday afternoon at Spring St Oval when Sandringham's top five credentials will receive a stern test as it hosts fourth-placed Eltham North. Traditional rivals Box Hill Inter and Casey Comets meet at Comets Stadium on Sunday afternoon, for what is always an entertaining encounter, while Keilor Park and the University of Melbourne clash at Keilor Park Reserve at the same time. Eastern Lions and Bendigo Vipers play a crucial match that could have significant repercussions regarding relegation on Sunday at DISC, with the match between Ashburton and WVSA following afterwards at the same venue. Finally, Heidelberg United will look to kill off Preston Lions' finals aspiration once and for all at Olympic Village.

By Niki Cook

Photos by John Punshon

WPL STANDINGS

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Heidelberg Utd	16	13	2	1	54	22	41
Box Hill	16	12	3	1	69	19	39
Ashburton	16	11	3	2	43	12	36
Eltham North	16	12	0	4	39	20	36
Sandringham	16	8	3	5	30	17	27
Preston Lions	16	6	4	6	26	33	22
Casey Comets	16	5	3	8	28	23	18
Keilor Park	16	4	5	7	23	33	17
Eastern Lions	16	4	1	11	16	46	13
Uni. of Melbourne	15	3	2	10	21	37	11
Bendigo Vipers	15	3	1	11	20	36	10
WVSA	16	0	1	15	14	85	1

WPL RESULTS

Box Hill 2 (A Lawless, K Smith) **Eastern Lions 0** (HT: 0-0), **Bendigo Vipers 2** (E Leversha) **Keilor Park 0** (HT: 1-0), **Preston Lions 0 Ashburton 3** (C Doussoye, A Gibney 2) (HT: 0-2), **Casey Comets 0 Sandringham 2** (J Murdoch, S Nashed) (HT: 0-1), **WVSA 1** (S Sumner) **Eltham North 5** (J Nicolaci, D Nikodijevic, S Gooney 2, C Pfeiffer) (HT: 0-3), **Uni. of Melbourne 0 Heidelberg Utd 3** (B Pannella 3) (HT: 0-2)

THIS WEEK'S FIXTURES

Sandringham v Eltham
Nth Spring St Oval
Sat 4 Aug 3:00PM

Eastern Lions v Bendigo Vipers
Darebin Int SC
Sun 5 Aug 1:00PM

Casey Comets v Box Hill
Comets Stadium
Sun 5 Aug 1:00PM

Heidelberg Utd v Preston Lions
Olympic Village
Sun 5 Aug 1:00PM

Keilor Park v Uni. of Melbourne
Keilor Park Res
Sun 5 Aug 1:00PM

Ashburton v WVSA
Darebin International SC
Sun 5 Aug 3:00PM

WPL RESERVE DETAILS

Box Hill Inter 1 Eastern Lions 1, Bendigo Vipers 1 Keilor Park 2, Preston Lions 0 Ashburton 4, Casey Comets 0 Sandringham 1, WVSA 1 Eltham North 5, Uni. of Melbourne 0 Heidelberg Utd 5

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Ashburton	16	14	2	0	71	7	44
Sandringham	16	12	3	1	63	11	39
Eltham North	16	11	1	4	56	18	34
Keilor Park	16	11	1	4	38	17	34
Heidelberg Utd	16	10	2	4	36	16	32
Eastern Lions	16	8	2	6	27	36	26
Box Hill Inter	16	6	5	5	37	34	23
Bendigo Vipers	15	3	3	9	19	45	12
Uni. of Melbourne	15	2	2	11	7	56	8
Casey Comets	16	1	3	12	10	39	6

DIV ONE DETAILS

Mitcham Utd Bye , South Melbourne 2 Uni. of Melbourne 0, Bayswater Strikers 1 Southern Suburbs 0, Brighton 0 Port Melbourne 0 (HT: 0-0), GSL 4 South Yarra 0 (HT: 3-0)

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
South Melbourne	12	10	0	2	35	8	30
GSL	10	7	1	2	22	4	22
Mitcham Utd	11	7	1	3	23	15	22
Bayswater Strikers	11	6	3	2	25	10	21
Brighton	11	4	5	2	15	14	17
Southern Suburbs	10	3	2	5	11	20	11
Port Melbourne	12	2	2	8	6	31	8
Uni. of Melbourne	11	2	1	8	11	25	7
South Yarra	12	0	3	9	7	28	3

DIV TWO NW DETAILS

Darebin Falcons Avondale Heights , Cristal Utd Brimbank , Brunswick Zebras 4 Maribyrnong Greens 0 (HT: 0-0), Ballarat & District SA 4 North Geelong 0, Whittlesea Stallions 1 Melton 1

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Whittlesea Stallions	13	8	3	2	40	11	27
Ballarat & District SA	12	8	1	3	47	11	25
North Geelong	13	8	1	4	24	14	25
Cristal Utd	11	7	2	2	36	11	23
Darebin Falcons	11	6	4	1	35	10	22
Avondale Heights	11	5	2	4	22	16	17
Melton	10	5	2	3	14	9	17
Brunswick Zebras	13	3	1	9	20	50	10
Brimbank	11	0	1	10	2	45	1
Maribyrnong Greens	13	0	1	12	2	65	1

DIV TWO SE DETAILS

Knox Utd 1 Doncaster Rovers 1, Knox City 0 Mooroolbark 7, South Springvale 0 Ashburton 3, Monbulk 2 Beaumaris 0, Bentleigh Greens 0 Monash University 1

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Ashburton	13	11	1	1	37	11	34
South Springvale	13	9	1	3	52	10	28
Monbulk	12	9	1	2	37	10	28
Mooroolbark	13	7	2	4	36	18	23
Bentleigh Greens	13	7	2	4	29	19	23
Knox Utd	13	5	6	2	35	14	21
Beaumaris	13	3	2	8	24	34	11
Monash University	13	3	1	9	12	49	10
Doncaster Rovers	12	1	1	10	16	49	4
Knox City	13	0	1	12	0	64	1

ASHY LEADS THE WAY IN DIVVIE TWO

Ashburton Women's Soccer Club competes in Division Two South/East. Approaching the final third of the season the team currently sits on top of the ladder with 10 wins, 1 draw and 1 loss.

Since coach John Kourevellis joined the squad this season there has been vast improvement amongst all players from last year, with team morale, talent and spirit sky-rocketing! The girls are very proud to be performing under the guidance of such a fantastic coach and enjoy both their training sessions and games week in week out. The team hopes to continue this success through the remainder of the season – and keep in tune with the ever-successful Premier League & Reserves teams at Ashburton.

Back row: Simone Jeffreson, Helene Johansson, Amy Lewis, Sophie Flanagan, Adele Ormando, Katie Dick, Paula Loveland, Leonie Gilbert, Stephanie Wood, Jackie Spragson, John Kourevellis (coach).

Front row: Lisa Pejovnik, Charlotte Mackay, Megan Davis, Lani DeSilva, Vanessa Harrington, Kate Sullivan. Absent: Natasha Whalley

BRUNSWICK MATCH COBURG IN LOCAL DERBY

Brunswick City 1
Coburg United 1

How ironic that the City of Moreland derby between second placed Coburg and eighth placed Brunswick was to take place in Somers Street, Sunshine the site of many big derbies in the past between former National League heavyweights Melbourne Knights and South Melbourne.

On an overcast Saturday afternoon a poor crowd of around 100 people witnessed an entertaining encounter which saw the game end in a 1-1 draw. The game began at a good pace with both sides looking to attack at every opportunity. Brunswick looked lively when Mazzarella pounced onto a loose ball only to be brought down just outside the box.

The resultant free kick from Arico was well saved by Hrehoresin. Coburg continued to build and began to create chances of their own with Harrhy and Josifovski looking dangerous. In the 24' of the game the complexion of the game changed when Coburg was awarded a penalty after Bosnic brought down his opponent in the penalty area. The referee did not hesitate to point to the spot and the spot kick was duly converted by Giorjevski.

The game continued at a frenetic pace although it was clear the Coburg coach, Montemuro, was still not satisfied with his team's efforts. It was clear that Edemar Garcia was causing some problems with his wizardry on the ball causing the back three some problems. In fact it was Garcia, the former Paris Saint Germain youth player, who minutes after the goal was scored weaved his way through three players but his left foot shot was just wide. At the other end Josifovksi shot on goal was well off target and player of his quality would surely have expected better.

At the main break the score remained at 1-0 for the home team but Brunswick came out after the main break more determined and after only 16 minutes equalised through Drake. The tall defender read the deep corner better than anyone and his sweet connection by head left Hrehoresin dumbfounded and motionless as the ball hammered into the back of the net. The goal appeared to spark the home team into attack and the pressure they applied over the next twenty minutes was relentless.

For the first time in weeks though the Brunswick defence appeared stable, calm and equal to the challenges that came their way. Coburg still found it difficult to create good chances in their final third and even players of the quality of Mustafa Mustafa appeared to be getting frustrated at their inability to crack the defence.

Their unrelenting endeavours to push men forward though almost caused their downfall as Brunswick counterattacked in the 89' after Coburg had overcommitted men forward. Brunswick broke down the left through Tarapong in a four versus one situation. Unfortunately for the visitors his miskick was quashed by the lone Coburg defender and the home team breathed a sigh of relief in what could have been an embarrassing result for the league's 'highly payrolled' team.

Brunswick City line up for a Division One State League match earlier this season.

Goalscorers: Robert Giorjevski (24' pen) – Coburg Utd
Cameron Drake (61')- Brunswick City
Best: Drake, Arico, Sanita, Danos, J. Vouloumanos

Line up: Dimitropoulos, A. Genovese, Bosnic, Garcia , J.Vouloumanos , Danos, Drake, Mazzarella (D. Genovese 46') , Sanita (Stafrace 81'), C.Vouloumanos (Tarapong 87'), Arico

Reserves/ Under 21

The Brunswick Under 21 were beaten soundly after what appeared a promising start. The game was evenly poised with both teams playing attacking football until the 25'.

The physically more stronger Coburg then scored from a free header and minutes later some poor defending allowed the Coburg striker to score his second. A penalty just before the main break resulted in a 3-0 score line, a hat trick for the Coburg striker and Brunswick being reduced to ten men when Malara was dubiously shown a red card for his challenge to give away the penalty.

After the break the rout continued as the holes in the Brunswick defence appeared to become bigger allowing the Coburg strikers to march through with little resistance. Coburg scored another four goals to make the final score 7-0 and confirming their position as the top team in the competition.

Goalscorers: None
Best: D.Vithoulkas, Karalis, Raponi, Nicolaou, Cicchitti

State League Div One

By Lou Simiopoulos

SOUTH SPRINGVALE KEEPING A LID ON IT

Sth Springvale 2
Stonnington City 0

South Springvale coach Ang Goutzioulis continues to downplay his team's title chances despite their 2-0 home win on Saturday against Stonnington City which lifted Souths to within one point of leader Diamond Valley United in the State League second division.

Two second half goals to skipper Louis Diniotis maintains South Springvale's challenge for the top in what is proving a tight contest in the top half of the table.

In Saturday's game, a lack of clinical finishing proved costly fore visitors who had three or four chances to score before conceding a penalty early in the second half. Springvale striker Mark Panghis went down in the box under a Martin Lorenzo challenge and the referee pointed to the spot. Diniotis made no mistake from the spot-kick.

In the last 20 minutes South Springvale dropped deep and played on the counter attack as the visitors pushed forward in search of an equalizer. In the dying moments, a swiftly taken Darren Vernon free kick found player-coach Goutzioulis in space out wide on the left. He cut inside with the ball and set up Diniotis for his second and the game sealer.

Commenting after the game, Coach Goutzioulis was unimpressed by his team's performance. "We played terribly and we still won. That's the only positive out of today. I just think they didn't run hard enough. I just thought they were going to turn up and win the game which in fact doesn't happen like that. They just seemed very flat."

When asked if people around the club are talking about winning promotion, Goutzioulis replies, " No,no,no. We haven't mentioned that at all. All we're just worried about now is every game."

Stonnington coach Louis Walmaggia praised his team's effort and performance, saying after the game, " I thought we created enough chances to win the game comfortably especially in the first half. It's just unlucky that the ball didn't go in the back of the net."

State League Div Two SE

By George Stogiannou

South Springvale celebrate their second goal scored by skipper Louis Diniotis, who is second from right in the bunch.

KNOX SURRENDER TWO GOAL LEAD

KNOX CITY 2
HEATHERTON UNITED 2

Knox City threw away a 2 goal half time advantage to drop two points to the bottom placed side Heatherton Utd on Saturday at Egan Lee Reserve.

Knox dominated most of the first half and the lead could have been greater at the break as a golden opportunity was spurned in the final minute of the half. Instead, the home side conceded an early goal in the second half and from then on had a battle against a revitalised side which finally snatched a point in the 90th minute.

The home side got the best possible start in the 10th minute when Grubic was fouled in the box and Suat scored from the spot at the second attempt. Cugovcan saved the first effort but was adjudged to have encroached from his line and the referee ordered the kick to be re-taken.

Heatherton hit back and created four chances in the next ten minutes. Karamehmedovic had a goal bound shot charged down by two defenders and then he squandered a free header. Twice Ash got clear down the right but the forwards were unable to convert his excellent crosses.

Knox doubled its advantage in the 21st minute when a flowing move involving four players saw the ball reach Swami on the left hand edge of the penalty area. He drove the ball diagonally across the keeper into the far corner of the net.

The rest of the half was all Knox. Hingert was having a field day down the right flank as his close ball control and pace gave the Heatherton defence a torrid time. In the 44th minute, Hingert found Nick Veljovic in space and his dangerous cross was turned over from close range by Grubic.

Five minutes into the second half, the visitors were handed a life line. Swami dwelt on the ball when he should have cleared. Instead of being upfield, Knox gave away a free kick in the ensuing challenge for the ball. Suzuki's free kick to the far post found Buljubasic who netted from close range.

Saunders went close on two occasions for Knox before he looked to have made the game safe in the 72nd minute. Nick Veljovic released him with an intelligent through ball and the striker cleverly dinked the ball over the advancing keeper into the net, only for the assistant referee to rule the pass offside.

With Knox struggling to contain the Heatherton attack, it conceded the equaliser in the last minute of normal time when a cross field pass found Buljubasic in space and he had time to beat Jorgensen at the near post to gain his side a point that looked most unlikely at half time.

Knox City: M. Jorgensen, M. Coates, A. Edgar, D. Perazic, H. Swami (D. Veljovic -77th), J. Hingert, N. Giannopoulos A. Saunders, N. Veljovic, K. Suat, L. Grubic (G. Moon -68th) . Subs not used – P. Veljovic, K. McEvoy.

Heatherton Utd: T. Cugovcan, M. Kinski, A. Kuljuh, S. Nuhanovic, N. Skenderovic, Z. Buljubasic, M. Heco, D. Karamehmedovic (H. Skenderevic – 66th), J. Ash (V.

State League Two SE

By Brucew Darnell

WA SOCCERPOOLS CUP HEADS TO SEMIS

INGLEWOOD UNITED 6 MANDURAH CITY 2

Inglewood United moved into the semi-finals of the Soccer Pools Cup with a 6-2 demolition of Mandurah City in their quarter-final match-up on Saturday, July 28 at Clipsal Stadium.

The home side took an early lead through Daniel Niederberger, when Mandurah City goalkeeper Mike Green parried a shot straight into the path of the Inglewood striker who stabbed home from 15 yards in the 5th minute. Three minutes later Mladen Kovacevic doubled United's lead when Jason Colli's cross from the right wing found Niederberger on six yards. He knocked back to Kovacevic who tapped in from close range.

With Premier League side Inglewood clearly outplaying First Division club Mandurah City, it wasn't long before United scored a third. Another beautiful cross from Colli perfectly set up Kovacevic in the 15th minute, but he missed the ball, only for it to fall straight to strike-partner Niederberger who knocked in from six yards with the City defence in a mess.

Mandurah gave themselves a glimmer of hope in the 26th minute through Gary Attrill. After Inglewood 'keeper Oliver Taseski brilliantly saved Christian Paschkewitz's shot, the rebound fell to Attrill who calmly finished from eight yards.

United put any realistic hopes of a Mandurah fight-back to rest with another goal in the 53rd minute. Kovacevic squared to an unmarked James Sammut on 12 yards, who knocked past a helpless Green to restore their three goal lead. Just seconds after Green did well to deny him, Inglewood substitute Albert Osei Tutu missed a sitter when a cross from Alex Stamatiadis found him open at the far post inside six yards, but his header rolled wide with the net completely unguarded.

Osei Tutu finally got on the scoresheet in the 77th minute when he was played in-behind by Niederberger. The lively attacker then used great skill to get past the 'keeper and then tapped into the empty net to make the score 5-1. Two minutes later Osei Tutu scored a second when Sammut's cross from the left wing found him in space. The 68th minute substitute tapped in from point-blank range, putting the icing on the cake for the home side.

Eight minutes from time Jeff Bright scored a consolation goal for the Peel-based side. Jordan Rhodes' cross from the left wing found Graeme Matthews in a dangerous position. The versatile midfielder unselfishly played across to Bright, who knocked past Taseski, finalising a 6-2 score-line.

Inglewood United coach Bobby Despotovski was delighted that his side was able to comprehensively beat an in-form Mandurah side.

"It was a very professional and disciplined performance and we got the result that we were looking for," the former Perth Glory striker said. Despotovski was also confident that his side could progress beyond the next round. "It's the semi-finals now and anything can happen. We don't know who we'll play yet but we'll just work hard on a couple of things and hopefully we can win two more games and go all the way."

The draw for the Soccer Pools Cup Semi Finals was made live on 90.5FM at half time during the quarter final clash between Perth S.C. and Stirling Lions.
Cockburn City will host Swan I.C. and Inglewood Utd will travel to the winner of the Perth, Stirling game.

Cockburn City v Swan I.C.
Dalmatinac Park

Stirling Lions vs Inglewood United

SOCCERPOOLS CUP QUARTER FINALS

Armadale 1 Swan IC 3
Cockburn 2 Floreat Athena 1
Inglewood United 6 Mandurah City 2
Perth 0 Stirling Lions 1 (AET)

August Coaching Hub Program

August 2007 sees the 2007 Coaching Hubs program continue with two sessions from the coaching team at Perth Glory.

Monday 6 August 2007 sees Perth Glory Assistant Coach David Mitchell host a dynamic practical session focusing on Ways to Develop Young Players and Monday, 13 August Perth Glory Head Coach Ron Smith will conduct an exciting seminar on the trends in Youth Development.

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The following week, Monday, 13 August Perth Glory Head Coach Ron Smith will conduct an exciting Seminar on the trends in Youth Development and key new ideas and concepts for developing young players. Ron is regarded as one of the country's premier voices in youth development following a highly successful period at the helm of Australia Institute of Sport soccer team.

Plus August will also see Football West National Training Centre Boys Program Head Coach Paul Wozny and Kenny Lowe conduct two sessions on Attacking with Width and linking Wide Players. These Sessions will be held at Noranda on the 20 August 2007 an East Fremantle on the 27 August 2007.

Please register your interest in attending any of these sessions with Bren Hartnoll at Football West on 08 9422 6918 or email bren.hartnoll@footballwest.com.au.

WESTERN AUSTRALIA

By Jacob Kragi

ENFIELD FALCONS FEATHERS UNRUFFLED IN CUP DEFEAT

The Final game of the quarter finals of the FFSA BEST Pavers Cup was played on Monday night 23rd July in what was a David and Goliath match between Enfield City Falcons - currently 2nd in the Premier League (the second division in the FFSA men's competition) and Adelaide City top of the table in the BEST League (the top division of the FFSA men's competition).

In what could have been expected to have been a total one-sided blow out on Adelaide City's behalf purely because of their dominance in the Best League, turned out to be a courageous battle to the end by the Falcons, despite having 5 of their starting 11 players out of the line up.

Enfield City put up a great fight, with their defence headed up by champion veteran defender Ken Tosh working overtime, as wave after wave of Adelaide City attacks came at them from Jonathon Negus and Damian Mori usually an extremely lethal partnership. But as many times as City forced their way forward, they let themselves down by not keeping their shots on target with many shots on goal going wide or over the cross bar. To his credit, Enfield's keeper Peter Kourkoulis also managed to pull off some great saves to keep his team on even par with their opponents.

At times, Enfield's young midfielders were finding their way through what usually is a fast and extremely dominating midfield of Adelaide City, allowing the young attacking strike force of 3 young lads under 18 including 15 year old brothers Aaron and Michael Acton chances to put their team in front, but pure lack of experience seemed to be their only downfall. After holding off the numerous chances that Adelaide City created for themselves, Enfield managed to take the game to extra time with the scored being locked at 0:0 after 90 minutes.

The first 15 minutes of extra time were identical to the previous play of the game, Enfield City standing strong and Adelaide City constantly attacking, their shooting again letting them down after numerous close calls. Finally in the 107th minute, after having 7 other header attempts at scoring, the Adelaide City veteran Carl Veart managed to slot one in much to the relief of the Adelaide City fans and constabulary.

But the courageous Falcons continued to battle on; very nearly equalizing just 5 minutes from the end of the match with a shot that came bulleting towards goal, only to be denied by an exquisite overhead save from Adelaide City's custodian Ben Moore. After what can only be described as an arduous effort by Adelaide City but a tremendous heart-and-soul performance by Enfield City, the final result was 1:0 to Adelaide City, knocking the Falcons out of the FFSA BEST Pavers Cup race but proving they could match it with the best in the State, a huge moral booster for the club and coach Peter Cristarella.

Round 14 BEST League matches saw third placed newcomers Para Hills Knights easily defeat Adelaide Blue Eagles at the Marden Sports Complex. Young Joel Allwright who starred in the U23 SA State Team side that played Adelaide United recently and has been named in the SA State Senior Team, once again showed off his talents with a great goal to put the Knights in front.

Being down to 10 men from early in the game, lack of discipline seemed to be the key factor in the young side of Blue Eagles who had 4 or 5 experienced players out for this match. With the referee being kept busy flashing his yellow cards left, right and centre, the Knights went on with the job with Stephen Stam putting away the second for Knights in the 63rd minute. Great 2:0 win to Para Hills which sees them closing the gap on second place on the ladder, great work by the newly promoted club under the coaching of Robbie Di Troia.

Bottom of the table clash Cumberland and Modbury was a real nail-biter, as this result could seal the fate of either of the two teams. Unfortunately for Modbury Jets, Cumberland's young Anton Bulabek slotted away the only goal scored for the match which saw them jump two positions to 8th and saw Modbury plummet to last place on equal points with White City Woodville.

At the Croatian Sports Centre, Raiders put in an almighty effort to defeat Campbelltown City Red Devils 2:0 their third only loss for the season making their quest to catch runaway leaders Adelaide City almost impossible now.

In the Saturday night game White City Woodville staged a great fightback after being 2:0 down to Adelaide Galaxy. Coach Zoran Karadzic spurred his chargers on, with Robbie Saraceno scoring late in the second half with a brilliant header shooting past young keeper Torresan.

Unfortunately it as too little, too late as time ran out with Galaxy taking away the 3 points. Adelaide City and MetroStars play on Monday night 30th July at Adelaide City Park. Last time these two sides met was in tough conditions on a wet TK Shutter Reserve with Adelaide City prevailing 2:1 over MetroStars.

Previous to this match records show, that Adelaide City last beat MetroStars in league competition in Round 13 2004, when Damian Mori and Jonathon Negus scored in a 2:1 victory. In the past eleven encounters, Metro holds 6 wins, while 2 matches were drawn. This match sees 14 players who were recently selected for the SA Senior State Team. Proves to be one to look out for!

SOUTH AUSTRALIA

By Nat Adamopoulos

BEST League	P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	Pts
Adelaide City	13	10	3	0	35	12	23	33
Campbelltown	14	7	4	3	27	21	6	25
Para Hills	14	7	1	6	28	30	-2	22
Adelaide Galaxy	14	5	5	4	29	24	5	20
MetroStars	13	5	3	5	23	16	7	18
Raiders	14	4	6	4	17	19	-2	18
Blue Eagles	14	3	6	5	16	18	-2	15
Cumberland	14	4	2	8	14	29	-15	14
White City	14	3	3	8	23	33	-10	12
Modbury	14	3	3	8	18	28	-10	12

Round 14 Results

Adelaide Blue Eagles 0 Para Hills 2 (S.Stam, J.Allwright) (HT 0-1)
Best – Blue Eagles (G.DeLucia, R.Campbell, L.Sattin) Para Hills (J.Allwright, S.Stam, A.Goulding)

Cumberland United 1 (A.Bulabek) **Modbury 0 (HT 1-0)**
Best – Cumberland (A.Bulabek, V.Parhas, D.Gagliardi) Modbury (T.McSorely, A.Westervelt, N.Day)

Raiders 2 (C.Christophersen, M.Paleka) **Campbelltown City 0** (HT 1-0)
Best – Raiders (M.Cartwright, C.Christophersen, G.Kalogerias) Campbelltown (S.Catanzaro, A.Fowler, D.Signoriello)

White City Woodville 1 (R.Saraceno) **Adelaide Galaxy 2** (M.Muscroft, A.Arambatzis) (HT 0-2)
Best - White City (C.Bugeja, K.Dimopoulos, L.Chandler) Galaxy (E.Vlassis, M.Muscroft, R.DaSilva)

Adelaide City vs MetroStars
Monday 30th July - 7:30pm – Adelaide City Park , Fosters Road

Results & Ladders

MILO Boys 18 Super League: Round 16: South Eastern Piranhas 0 Melbourne Knights 2, Whittlesea Stallions 0 Essendon Royals 0, South Melbourne 0 Green Gully 4, Doncaster Rovers Bye , Bentleigh Greens 0 Oakleigh 3, FC Bulleen Lions Keilor Park

MILO Boys S/E 16 Super League: Round 13: Doncaster Rovers Bye , Sandringham City 0 North Caulfield 2, Casey Comets Kingston City , Langwarrin 10 Noble Park 0, South Melbourne 1 FC Bulleen Lions 2

MILO Boys S/E 15 Super League: Round 13: Doncaster Rovers 2 Endeavour Utd 1, Nunawading City Chelsea , Box Hill Inter Springvale White Eagles , Manningham 2 Knox City 0, South Melbourne 1 FC Bulleen Lions 2

MILO Boys S/E 14 Super League: Round 13: Monash City Bye , Dandenong City 1 GSL 1, Nunawading City Mornington , Dandenong Thunder 2 Knox City 1, North Caulfield 0 FC Bulleen Lions 1

MILO Boys S/E 13 Super League: Round 13: Dandenong City 0 GSL 3, Sandringham City 1 Beaumaris 0, Box Hill Inter 1 Monash City 0, Berwick City 1 Richmond 2, South Melbourne 2 FC Bulleen Lions 0

MILO Boys N/W 16 Super League: Round 13: Brimbank 0 Whittlesea Stallions 5, Sunshine Georgies 1 Keilor Park 1, Melbourne Knights 0 Essendon Royals 2, Green Gully Bye , Fawkner 3 Epping City 2

MILO Boys N/W 15 Super League: Round 13: Preston Lions 1 Fawkner 1, Bundoora Utd 0 Keilor Park 4, Melbourne Knights 0 Essendon Royals 2, Green Gully 3 Altona City 2, Coburg Utd 3 Cairnlea 1

MILO Boys N/W 14 Super League: Round 13: Preston Lions Sunshine Heights , Light Utd 1 Keilor Park 4, Melbourne Knights 1 Essendon Royals 2, Green Gully 2 Altona Magic 0, Fawkner 3 Epping City 0

MILO Boys N/W 13 Super League: Round 13: Brimbank 1 Coburg Utd 1, Brunswick City 2 Fawkner 0, Werribee City 1 Essendon Royals 2, Green Gully 0 Altona City 1, Hume Utd 0 Cairnlea 0

MILO Boys Metro 18 Blue: Round 13: Bye St. Albans , Heidelberg Utd 1 Richmond 2, Brunswick City 3 Oakleigh 2, Maribyrnong Greens 7 Manningham 2, Eastern Lions Bye

MILO Boys Metro 18 Orange: Round 13: Lalor Utd 3 Epping City 1, Wyndham Olympic 2 Gisborne 3, Essendon Royals Bye , Bye Flemington Eagles , Western Eagles 8 Mitchell Rangers JFC 0

MILO Boys Metro 18 Purple: Round 13: Bye Nunawading City , Brighton 6 Boronia 1, Sherbrooke Rangers 1 Doveton 7, Mooroolbark 2 Dandenong Sparrows 5, Sandringham City Bye

MILO Boys Metro 18 Red: Round 13: Bye Doncaster Rovers , Altona City 19 Glen Eira 0, Boroondara Lions 2 Oakleigh 3, Richmond 3 Westvale 0

MILO Boys Metro 18 Yellow: Round 13: Bye Langwarrin , Seaford Utd 0 Heatherton Utd 3, Rosebud 1 Peninsula 3, Chelsea 3 Casey Comets 3, Berwick City 3 Frankston Pines 2

MILO Boys South 16 A: Round 13: Dandenong City 2 Endeavour Utd 3, Bye Mornington , Brighton 2 Dandenong Thunder 2, Berwick City 5 Springvale White Eagles 1, Bye Bentleigh Greens

MILO Boys South 16 B: Round 13: East Bentleigh 2 Langwarrin 3, Baxter 2 Beaumaris 1, Doveton 2 Berwick City 1, Seaford Utd 8 Keysborough 0, Mornington 4 Brighton 1

MILO Boys South 15 A: Round 13: Dandenong City 2 Langwarrin 1, Sandringham City 2 Mornington 3, Brighton 5 Lyndale Utd 1, Berwick City 5 Frankston Pines 1, Beaumaris 1 Peninsula 4

MILO Boys South 15 B: Round 13: Heatherton Utd 1 Langwarrin 3, Sandringham City 1 Beaumaris 1, Brighton 1 Berwick City 4, Baxter 7 Phillip Island 0, Mornington 0 Bentleigh Greens 4

MILO Boys South 14 A: Round 13: Berwick City Bye , East Bentleigh 1 Doveton 1, Bye Lyndale Utd , Langwarrin 0 Brighton 2, Mornington Bentleigh Greens

MILO Boys South 14 B: Round 13: Carrum Utd 5 Endeavour Utd 0, Baxter 1 Beaumaris 8, Casey Comets 0 Springvale White Eagles 1, Berwick City 3 Sandringham City 3, Brighton 3 Langwarrin 0

MILO Boys South 14 C: Round 13: Dandenong Sparrows Bye , Peninsula 2 Hampton Park Utd 2, Sandringham City Seaford Utd , Doveton 0 Berwick City 7, Brighton 2 4 Brighton 1 1

MILO Boys South 13 A: Round 13: Brighton 0 Peninsula 3, Seaford Utd 0 Mornington 1, Langwarrin Berwick City , Hampton Park Utd 1 Hampton 2, Beaumaris 0 Bentleigh Greens 0

MILO Boys South 13 B: Round 13: Brighton 0 Chelsea 4, Sandringham City 1 Beaumaris 1, Peninsula Keysborough , Harrisfield Hurricanes 7 Baxter 0, Mornington 0 Bentleigh Greens 4

MILO Boys South 13 C: Round 13: Carrum Utd 2 Endeavour Utd 5, Seaford Utd 1 Peninsula 2, Brighton 3 Casey Panthers 0, Chelsea 1 Hampton 5, Rosebud 8 Langwarrin 0

MILO Boys South 12 A: Round 13: Dandenong City 2 Seaford Utd 0, Sandringham City 1 Mornington 0, Langwarrin 2 Dandenong Thunder 0, Berwick City 1 Noble Park 1, Beaumaris 0 Brighton 4

MILO Boys South 12 B: Round 13: Brighton 0 Endeavour Utd 0, Sandringham City 3 Hampton Park Utd 0, Casey Comets 1 Keysborough 2, Berwick City 4 Hampton 0, Mornington 0 Peninsula 2

MILO Boys South 12 C: Round 13: Bye Rosebud , Sandringham City 1 Mornington 2, Langwarrin 2 Doveton 3, Baxter 4 Hampton 1, Beaumaris 2 Brighton 1

MILO Boys South 12 D: Round 13: Carrum Utd 3 Brighton 2 0, Hampton Park Utd 0 Beaumaris 1, Brighton 1 1 Berwick City 0, Lyndale Utd 2 Springvale White Eagles 4, Frankston Pines Bentleigh Greens

MILO Boys South 11 Kangaroos Green: Round 13: Brighton 2 Langwarrin 2, Hampton 4 Mornington 0, Casey Comets 0 Heatherton Utd 0, Bye Sandringham City , Beaumaris 2 Bentleigh Greens 1

MILO Boys South 11 Kangaroos Red: Round 13: Dandenong City 0 GSL 4, Seaford Utd 0 Southern Stars 2, Hampton Park Utd 5 Brighton 1, Mornington 1 Bentleigh Greens 1, South Eastern Piranhas 2 Berwick City 0

MILO Boys South 11 Kangaroos Yellow: Round 13: Brighton 5 Endeavour Utd 0, Hampton 2 Beaumaris 0, Langwarrin 6 Doveton 0, Berwick City 0 Sandringham City 3, Baxter 1 Peninsula 3

MILO Boys South 11 Joeys Blue: Round 13: Carrum Utd 5 Seaford Utd 0, Sandringham City 2 Mornington 0, Langwarrin 1 Keysborough 1, Baxter 0 Hampton Park Utd 1, Beaumaris 4 Brighton 0

MILO Boys South 11 Joeys Orange: Round 13: Peninsula 1 Langwarrin 4, Sandringham City 0 Beaumaris 5, East Bentleigh 3 Hampton Park Utd 0, Berwick City 2 Hampton 1, Harrisfield Hurricanes 1 Brighton 1

MILO Boys East 16 A: Round 13: FC Bulleen Lions 3 Eastern Lions 2, Nunawading City South Melbourne , Croydon City Arrows 1 South Springvale 4, Manningham Brandon Park , Glen Waverley 2 Doncaster Rovers 1

MILO Boys East 16 B: Round 13: Doncaster Rovers 7 Sherbrooke Rangers 1, Richmond 3 Ashburton 3, Boronia 4 Mooroolbark 0, Boroondara Lions 0 Knox City 2, Ringwood City 0 North Caulfield 4

MILO Boys East 15 A: Round 13: FC Bulleen Lions 1 Oakleigh 1, Kingston City 5 Glen Waverley 0, Whitehorse 2 Riversdale 1, Manningham 4 Richmond 1, North Caulfield 1 Eastern Lions 3

MILO Boys East 15 B: Round 13: Doncaster Rovers 3 Sherbrooke Rangers 2, Glen Eira 4 Springvale City 4, Croydon City Arrows 0 Clayton 8, Caulfield Utd 12 Knox City 2, Whitehorse 1 FC Bulleen Lions 5

MILO Boys East 15 C: Round 13: Bye Hampton , Casey Comets 8 Mooroolbark 1, Eastern Lions 2 Ashburton 2, Boronia 2 Manningham 1, Chelsea 5 Doncaster Rovers 2

MILO Boys East 15 D: Round 13: East Bentleigh 5 Brighton 6, Bye Clayton , Brandon Park 2 Glen Eira 1, Hampton Park Utd 5 Templestowe Eagles 2

MILO Boys East 14 A: Round 13: Doncaster Rovers Bye , FC Bulleen Lions 3 Boronia 0, Richmond 0 South Melbourne 0, Oakleigh 6 Riversdale 1, Kingston City 0 Eastern Lions 3

MILO Boys East 14 B: Round 13: Port Melbourne 1 North Caulfield 1, Ringwood City 2 Glen Waverley 0, Beaumaris 3 Clayton 1, Manningham 1 Richmond 2, Ashburton 2 Brandon Park 5

MILO Boys East 14 C: Round 13: Bye Ashburton , East Bentleigh 0 Sherbrooke Rangers 4, Boronia Bye , Boroondara Lions 1 Nunawading City 5, North Caulfield 0 Doncaster Rovers 4

MILO Boys East 14 D: Round 13: FC Bulleen Lions 3 Oakleigh 0, Ringwood City 3 Bentleigh Greens 0, Bye Manningham , Doncaster Rovers 1 Caulfield Utd 3, Glen Waverley 1 Mooroolbark 2

MILO Boys East 13 A: Round 13: FC Bulleen Lions 0 Oakleigh 5, Brandon Park 0 North Caulfield 1, Croydon City Arrows 0 Whitehorse 5, Riversdale 0 Knox City 2, Ringwood City 3 Doncaster Rovers 3

MILO Boys East 13 B: Round 13: Mooroolbark 1 Knox City 0, Waverley Wanderers 3 North Caulfield 0, Casey Comets 3 Clayton 1, Manningham 0 Eastern Lions 4, Glen Waverley 1 FC Bulleen Lions 1

MILO Boys East 13 C: Round 13: Stonnington City 0 Whitehorse 0, Eastern Lions 1 Glen Waverley 2, Croydon City Arrows 1 Noble Park 7, Boroondara Lions 0 Richmond 0, Caulfield Utd Doncaster Rovers

MILO Boys East 13 D: Round 13: Hampton 3 Croydon City Arrows 2, Ringwood City 0 East Bentleigh 2, Boronia Riversdale , Bye Nunawading City , Casey Comets 3 Glen Eira 1

MILO Boys East 12 A: Round 13: Doncaster Rovers 1 Boronia 1, Nunawading City 0 Croydon City Arrows 2, Box Hill Inter 0 Monash City 3, Oakleigh 1 Richmond 3, South Melbourne 3 FC Bulleen Lions 0

MILO Boys East 12 B: Round 13: Doncaster Rovers Stonnington City , Ringwood City 0 South Melbourne 2, North Caulfield 2 Monash City 0, Riversdale Richmond , Glen Waverley 2 Mooroolbark 0

MILO Boys East 12 C: Round 13: FC Bulleen Lions 7 Sherbrooke Rangers 0, Richmond 1 Ashburton 8, Glen Eira 2 Clayton 4, East Bentleigh 2 Nunawading City 0, Knox City 4 Doncaster Rovers 0

MILO Boys East 12 D: Round 13: FC Bulleen Lions 2 Knox Utd 1, Ringwood City 2 Springvale City 3, Boronia 0 Kingston City 1, Boroondara Lions 3 Caulfield Utd 4, North Caulfield 2 Doncaster Rovers 0

MILO Boys East 12 E: Round 13: Port Melbourne 0 Glen Eira 4, Eastern Lions 7 Glen Waverley 0, North Caulfield Riversdale , Manningham 11 Richmond 0, Ashburton 1 Brandon Park 2

MILO Boys East 12 F: Round 13: East Bentleigh 1 Croydon City Arrows 2 2, Chelsea 1 Oakleigh 12, Croydon City Arrows 1 1 Manningham 1, Mooroolbark 5 Eastern Lions 0, Casey Comets 0 Waverley Wanderers 4

MILO Boys East 11 Kangaroos Green: Round 13: Knox City Bye , Doncaster Rovers 1 Oakleigh 2, Box Hill Inter 1 Monash City 0, Riversdale 2 Richmond 0, South Yarra 0 FC Bulleen Lions 8

MILO Boys East 11 Kangaroos Yellow: Round 13: FC Bulleen Lions 0 Box Hill Inter 0, Doncaster Rovers 0 Ashburton 4, Oakleigh 0 North Caulfield 2, Manningham 0 Richmond 3, South Melbourne 2 Waverley Wanderers 0

MILO Boys East 11 Joeys Blue: Round 13: Springvale City 6 East Bentleigh 1, Richmond 0 Knox City 0, Croydon City Arrows 1 Riversdale 3, Boroondara Lions 1 Eastern Lions 2, North Caulfield 1 Doncaster Rovers 0

MILO Boys East 11 Joeys Orange: Round 13: FC Bulleen Lions 2 Whitehorse 1, Richmond 1 Glen Waverley 2, Glen Eira 1 Monash City 3, Kingston City 0 Nunawading City 5, Ashburton 1 White Star Dandenong 0

MILO Boys East 11 Joeys Purple: Round 13: Ringwood City 1 Glen Waverley 1, Boronia 2 Clayton 1, Mooroolbark 1 Brandon Park 1, Ashburton 0 FC Bulleen Lions 6, Doncaster Rovers 0 Oakleigh 0

MILO Boys East 11 Joeys Red: Round 13: North Caulfield 0 Sherbrooke Rangers 1, Eastern Lions 2 Ashburton 1, Croydon City Arrows 4 Manningham 1, Boroondara Lions 1 Richmond 2, Glen Waverley 3 South Springvale 1

MILO Boys N/W 16 B: Round 10: Cairnlea Keilor Wolves , Watsonia Heights Sunbury Utd , Broadmeadows Utd Sunshine Heights

MILO Boys North 16 A: Round 13: Preston Lions 7 Heidelberg Utd 0, Brunswick City 2 Carlton Youth 1, Eltham North 1 Essendon Royals 4, Light Utd 2 Bundoora Utd 1, Northcote City 5 Brunswick Zebras 0

MILO Boys North 15 A: Round 13: Northcote City 0 Southern Stars 3, Bye Coburg Utd , Essendon Utd 0 Bundoora Utd 2, Hume Utd 7 Brunswick Zebras 0

MILO Boys North 15 B: Round 13: Bye Whittlesea Stallions , Heidelberg Stars 6 Mitchell Rangers JFC 0, Moreland Utd 5 Moreland Wolves 0, Essendon Royals 4 Essendon Utd1 0, Eltham North 0 Epping City 5

MILO Boys North 14 A: Round 13: Whittlesea Stallions 2 Eltham North 0, Coburg Utd 1 BASL 9, Epping City 1 Essendon Royals 4, Lalor Utd 1 Bundoora Utd 3, Bye Brunswick Zebras

MILO Boys North 14 B: Round 13: Brunswick Zebras 0 Moreland City 3, Bundoora Utd Fawkner , Bye Plenty Valley Lions , Heidelberg Utd 5 Brunswick City 0, Hume Utd Bye

MILO Boys North 14 C: Round 13: Bye Northcote City , Brunswick City 0 Lalor Utd 4, Whittlesea Stallions Bye , Diamond Valley Utd 5 Watsonia Heights 1, North City Lions 3 Moreland Utd 0

MILO Boys North 13 A: Round 13: Preston Lions 5 Epping City 5, Light Utd 2 BASL 4, Eltham North 0 Whittlesea Stallions 5, North City Lions 1 Sunbury Utd 3, Fawkner 0 Brunswick Zebras 1

MILO Boys North 13 B: Round 13: Brunswick Zebras 1 Moreland City 2, Banyule City 0 FC Clifton Hill 5, Eltham North 2 Moreland Wolves 2, Essendon Royals 0 Bundoora Utd 0, Greenvale Utd 4 Whittlesea Stallions 0

MILO Boys North 13 C: Round 13: Mill Park 4 Eltham North 0, Bundoora Utd 3 Mitchell Rangers JFC 1, Plenty Valley Lions 1 Meadow Park 1, Northcote City 1 Watsonia Heights 2, Alphington 3 Epping City 2

MILO Boys North 12 A: Round 13: Brunswick Zebras Bye , Preston Lions Light Utd , Bundoora Utd 5 Fawkner 2, Whittlesea Stallions 0 Essendon Royals 0, North City Lions 3 Brunswick City 0

MILO Boys North 12 B: Round 13: Bye Moreland City , Heidelberg Utd Bye , Eltham North 0 Essendon Royals 3, North City Lions 4 Watsonia Heights 0, FC Clifton Hill Epping City

MILO Boys North 12 C: Round 13: Alphington Bye , Banyule City 4 Meadow Park 0, Light Utd Bye , Coburg Utd 0 Lalor Utd 0, Diamond Valley Utd 5 Brunswick Zebras 1

MILO Boys North 12 D: Round 13: Epping City 1 Brunswick Zebras 1, Brunswick City 1 FC Clifton Hill 0, Moreland Utd Bye , Bye Essendon Utd , Hume Utd Bye

MILO Boys North 11 Kangaroos Green: Round 13: Epping City 8 Mill Park 0, Bundoora Utd 3 Fawkner 2, Eltham North 2 Essendon Royals 0, Northcote City 1 Light Utd 0, Hume Utd 4 Coburg Utd 0

MILO Boys North 11 Kangaroos Orange: Round 13: Brunswick Zebras 1 Coburg Utd 7, Preston Lions 3 Meadow Park 4, Eltham North 2 Essendon Royals 1, Green Gully 4 Brunswick City 1, Whittlesea Stallions 2 Lalor 1

MILO Boys North 11 Joeys Blue: Round 13: Greenvale Utd 5 Eltham North 1, Alphington 2 Hume Utd 2, Epping City 0 Moreland Wolves 2, Pascoe Vale 0 Watsonia Heights 3, Mitchell Rangers JFC 0 Brunswick Zebras 0

MILO Boys North 11 Joeys Yellow: Round 13: Light Utd 1 Moreland City 1, Banyule City 1 Laverton Park 1, Moreland Utd 1 Plenty Valley Lions 0, North City Lions 0 Bundoora Utd 3, Diamond Valley Utd 1 Lalor Utd 2

MILO Boys West 16 A: Round 13: Altona Magic 1 Brimbank City 4, Ballarat Academy Of Soccer 1 Yarraville 0, Melton Bye , Keilor Park Bye , Hoppers Crossing 3 Avondale Heights 0

MILO Boys West 15 A: Round 13: Brimbank 1 St. Albans 3, Sunshine Georgies 7 North Sunshine Eagles 0, Hoppers Crossing 1 Williamstown 0, Green Gully Bye , Ballarat Academy Of Soccer 1 Keilor Park 2

MILO Boys West 15 B: Round 13: Sunbury Utd 3 Flemington Eagles 0, Western Eagles 10 Satellite City Utd 0, Melbourne Lions 0 Gisborne 5, Werribee City 0 Altona City 3, South Yarra Laverton Park

MILO Boys West 14 A: Round 13: Keilor Wolves 2 Brimbank City 2, Sunshine Georgies 0 Werribee City 0, Ballarat Academy Of Soccer Bye , Green Gully 3 Sydenham Park 1, Keilor Park 4 Laverton Park 0

MILO Boys West 14 B: Round 13: Altona Magic2 2 Williamstown 1, Hoppers Crossing 0 WVSA 4, Bye Altona City , Melbourne Knights 1 Altona Magic 0

MILO Boys West 13 A: Round 13: South Yarra 2 St. Albans 0, Sunshine Georgies 0 Keilor Park 2, Melbourne Knights 3 Gisborne 1, Bye Avondale Heights , Ballarat Academy Of Soccer 1 Sydenham Park 2

MILO Boys West 13 B: Round 13: Melbourne Knights 0 Sunshine Heights 2, AVA Seagulls Bye , Hoppers Crossing 1 WVSA 2, Green Gully 1 Altona City 1, Keilor Park 6 Melton 0

MILO Boys West 13 C: Round 13: Bye Hoppers Crossing , Western Eagles 6 Heidelberg Utd 0, Maribyrnong Greens Yarraville , Heidelberg Stars 2 AVA Seagulls 1, Melbourne Lions 3 Brimbank 0

MILO Boys West 12 A: Round 13: Avondale Heights 0 Melbourne Knights 8, WVSA 1 BASL 0, Hoppers Crossing 2 Gisborne 1, Green Gully 2 Altona City 2, Keilor Park Cairnlea

MILO Boys West 12 B: Round 13: Altona Magic 3 St. Albans 0, Sunshine Georgies 3 Keilor Park 0, Williamstown 11 Sydenham Park 0, Green Gully 2 Altona City 0, Gisborne 1 Laverton Park 10

MILO Boys West 12 C: Round 13: Brimbank 1 Brimbank City 1, Sunbury Utd 2 Williamstown 3, Wyndham Olympic 7 Spring Hills 1, North Sunshine Eagles 9 Avondale Heights 0, Ballarat Academy Of Soccer 0 Melton 0

MILO Boys West 11 Kangaroos Green: Round 13: Altona Magic Bye , Brimbank 4 Melbourne Knights 0, Hoppers Crossing 0 Gisborne 3, Green Gully 0 Altona City 6, Keilor Park 0 Williamstown 1

MILO Boys West 11 Kangaroos Red: Round 13: Bye St. Albans , Sunshine Georgies 4 Keilor Park 0, Melbourne Knights 1 WVSA 1, Green Gully 2 Sydenham Park 1, South Yarra 9 Melton 0

MILO Boys West 11 Joeys Blue: Round 13: Keilor Wolves 5 Hoppers Crossing 0, Brimbank 0 Williamstown 2, Maribyrnong Greens 2 Spring Hills 0, Gisborne 0 Altona City 2, Flemington Eagles 0 Cairnlea 3

MILO Girls Metro 18 A: Round 13: Sherbrooke Rangers Langwarrin , Brunswick Zebras Bye , Mooroolbark 0 Sandringham City 5, Casey Panthers 4 Cairnlea 3

MILO Girls Metro 18 B: Round 13: Bye Whitehorse , Essendon Royals Seaford Utd , Gisborne 1 FC Bulleen Lions 4, Croydon City Arrows 9 Mill Park 0

MILO Girls Metro 16 A: Round 13: Ashburton 2 Beaumaris 1, South Eastern Piranhas Bye , Richmond 0 Whittlesea Stallions 7, Bye Glen Eira , Brighton 1 Epping City 0

MILO Girls Metro 16 B: Round 13: Watsonia Heights 4 Croydon City Arrows 0, Knox City 1 Boroondara Lions 4, Sherbrooke Rangers 0 Berwick City 2, Bye Mornington , Langwarrin 1 East Bentleigh 4

MILO Girls Metro 16 C: Round 13: Endeavour Utd 0 Keilor Park 0, Dandenong City 3 Eastern Lions 6, Brighton 0 Chelsea 2, Hampton Park Utd Bye , North Caulfield Sandringham City

MILO Girls S/E 16 D: Round 13: Rosebud Boronia , Eltham North 2 Whitehorse 1, Berwick Kings 1 Boroondara Lions 0, Bye Baxter

MILO Girls N/W 16 D: Round 13: Sunbury Utd 3 Altona City 0, Ballarat Academy Of Soccer Bye , Moreland Utd 1 Sunshine Georgies 1, North City Lions 1 Westgate 3, Diamond Valley Utd 1 Melton 0

MILO Girls Metro 15 A: Round 13: Richmond 3 North Caulfield 0, Langwarrin 0 Doncaster Rovers 2, Bye Brighton , Brunswick Zebras 2 WVSA 0, Berwick City 8 Casey Comets 1

MILO Girls Metro 15 B: Round 13: Whitehorse 2 Keilor Park 1, Mooroolbark 1 Sandringham City 0, Glen Waverley 3 Glen Eira 0, Ashburton 0 Meadow Park 5, Brunswick City 2 Brighton 1

MILO Girls Metro 15 C: Round 13: Keilor Wolves 4 Boronia 0, Gisborne 3 Casey Panthers 0, Seaford Utd 0 Ringwood City 7, Harrisfield Hurricanes 0 Baxter 8, Pascoe Vale 5 Altona East 0

MILO Girls Metro 14 A: Round 13: Doncaster Rovers 3 Croydon City Arrows 0, Bundoora Utd 1 Boroondara Lions 2, Brighton 1 Sandringham City 1, Beaumaris Bye , Ashburton 2 Berwick City 2

MILO Girls Metro 14 B: Round 13: Sunbury Utd 0 Richmond 4, Baxter 5 Beaumaris 1, Sherbrooke Rangers 0 Dandenong Thunder 5, Caulfield Utd Brunswick Zebras , Peninsula 1 Hoppers Crossing 0

MILO Girls Metro 14 C: Round 13: Doncaster Rovers 4 Box Hill Inter 0, Sandringham City 1 Altona City 6, Watsonia Heights 0 East Bentleigh 1, Eltham North 3 Brighton 0, Langwarrin 1 Carrum Utd 2

MILO Girls S/E 14 D: Round 13: North Caulfield FC Bulleen Lions , Eastern Lions 0 Croydon City Arrows 1, Bye Glen Waverley , Noble Park 3 Boroondara Lions 0, Springvale White Eagles 0 Richmond 0

MILO Girls N/W 14 D: Round 13: Epping City 0 Whittlesea Stallions 3, Brunswick Zebras 8 Eltham North 0, Brimbank 3 Mitchell Rangers JFC 0, Keilor Park 8 Cairnlea 0, Ballarat Academy Of Soccer 2 Western Eagles 0

MILO Girls Metro 13 A: Round 13: North Caulfield 6 Brighton 1, Ashburton 2 BASL 1, Berwick City 0 Sandringham City 7, Glen Eira 0

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Results & Ladders

Sherbrooke Rangers 0, Croydon City Arrows 2 Boroondara Lions 3

MILO Girls Metro 13 B: Round 13: Brighton 0 Boronia 3, Glen Eira 2 Caulfield Utd 0, Alphington 6 Peninsula 0, Bye Brunswick Zebras , Essendon Royals Bundoora Utd

MILO Girls Metro 13 C: Round 13: Baxter 0 Port Melbourne 0, Nunawading City 4 Mornington 3, Sherbrooke Rangers 0 North Caulfield 0, Glen Waverley 0 Diamond Valley Utd 3, Pascoe Vale 13 South Yarra 0

MILO Girls Metro 12 A: Round 13: Richmond 1 North Caulfield 1, Sherbrooke Rangers 1 Carrum Utd 1, Ashburton 1 Sandringham City 0, Croydon City Arrows 1 Boroondara Lions 0, Brighton Bye

MILO Girls Metro 12 B: Round 13: Bye Knox City , Eltham North 2 Hoppers Crossing 0, Keilor Park Monash City , Bye FC Bulleen Lions , Brunswick Zebras 1 Box Hill Inter 0

MILO Girls Metro 12 C: Round 13: Watsonia Heights 3 Heidelberg Utd 2, Brighton 1 Glen Waverley 2, Sydenham Park 1 Beaumaris 0, Brunswick Zebras Bye

MILO Girls Metro 12 D: Round 13: Bye Banyule City , Bye Baxter , Glen Waverley 0 Boronia 3, Croydon City Arrows 0 Sandringham City 4, Boroondara Lions 0 Whitehorse 3

MILO Girls Metro 11 A: Round 13: Brighton Bye , Richmond 1 Keilor Park 0, Beaumaris 1 Ashburton 1, Dandenong Thunder 2 Sandringham City 0, North Caulfield 1 Boroondara Lions 1

MILO Girls Metro 11 B: Round 13: Brighton 0 Richmond 0, Sherbrooke Rangers 0 Berwick City 4, Oakleigh 0 Carrum Utd 1, Sunbury Utd 0 Hampton 3, Ashburton 5 Glen Eira 0

MILO Boys 18 Super League

Green Gully	14	12	0	2	47	25	36
Melbourne Knights	14	11	0	3	45	23	33
Essendon Royals	15	9	4	2	49	21	31
Oakleigh	15	9	1	5	44	20	28
Whittlesea Stallions	14	7	3	4	30	28	24
Keilor Park	14	5	1	8	36	34	16
South Eastern Piranhas	13	4	2	7	25	29	14
Bentleigh Greens	14	3	4	7	29	42	13
FC Bulleen Lions	14	3	0	11	19	42	9
South Melbourne	11	2	2	7	18	37	8
Doncaster Rovers	14	1	3	10	17	58	6

MILO Boys S/E 16 Super League

FC Bulleen Lions	11	9	1	1	48	8	28
Kingston City	11	7	2	2	31	15	23
South Melbourne	10	6	1	3	30	18	19
Casey Comets	11	5	1	5	16	25	16
North Caulfield	11	4	1	6	13	19	13
Langwarrin	9	3	3	3	13	18	12
Doncaster Rovers	10	1	6	3	14	17	9
Noble Park	11	2	1	8	14	42	7
Sandringham City	10	1	2	7	4	21	5

MILO Boys S/E 15 Super League

South Melbourne	10	9	0	1	33	2	27
FC Bulleen Lions	12	7	4	1	40	13	25
Manningham	11	8	1	2	29	11	25
Chelsea	11	5	3	3	14	18	18
Endeavour Utd	11	5	1	5	20	17	16
Springvale White Eagles	12	4	2	6	26	42	14
Doncaster Rovers	11	3	4	4	17	15	13
Box Hill Inter	11	3	4	4	10	9	13
Knox City	12	1	2	9	8	33	5
Nunawading City	11	0	1	10	6	43	1

MILO Boys S/E 14 Super League

Mornington	9	8	0	1	29	9	24
Monash City	10	6	2	2	19	7	20
FC Bulleen Lions	10	4	4	2	13	9	16
Dandenong Thunder	11	4	3	4	16	16	15
North Caulfield	10	4	3	3	12	13	15
Dandenong City	11	4	2	5	11	17	14
Nunawading City	11	3	4	4	14	17	13
Knox City	10	3	0	7	8	15	9
GSL	10	0	2	8	3	22	2

MILO Boys S/E 13 Super League

Box Hill Inter	11	9	2	0	26	5	29
South Melbourne	12	8	2	2	33	16	26
Beaumaris	12	8	2	2	26	11	26
FC Bulleen Lions	12	4	5	3	14	10	17
Monash City	11	5	2	4	18	16	17
Sandringham City	11	5	1	5	15	22	16
Richmond	12	3	3	6	18	23	12
GSL	11	2	2	7	3	15	8
Dandenong City	12	2	1	9	17	35	7
Berwick City	12	1	2	9	10	27	5

MILO Boys N/W 16 Super League

Green Gully	11	8	3	0	30	6	27
Keilor Park	11	7	2	2	36	12	23
Essendon Royals	11	6	2	3	28	10	20
Fawkner	10	6	2	2	21	13	20
Sunshine Georgies	11	5	3	3	27	14	18
Epping City	10	4	1	5	25	26	13
Melbourne Knights	10	3	2	5	18	17	11
Whittlesea Stallions	11	1	1	9	17	37	4
Brimbank	11	0	0	11	7	74	0

MILO Boys N/W 15 Super League

Preston Lions	12	9	1	2	27	9	28
Keilor Park	12	9	0	3	26	9	27
Green Gully	12	8	1	3	30	13	25
Fawkner	12	7	2	3	29	13	23
Coburg Utd	12	5	4	3	23	12	19
Altona City	12	5	3	4	16	16	18
Melbourne Knights	12	5	1	6	20	20	16
Cairnlea	12	3	0	9	16	29	9
Bundoora Utd	12	3	0	9	9	33	9
Essendon Royals	12	0	0	12	8	50	0

MILO Boys N/W 14 Super League

Green Gully	10	10	0	0	44	3	30
Essendon Royals	11	10	0	1	32	6	30
Keilor Park	11	8	1	2	22	8	25
Altona Magic	12	8	0	4	25	13	24
Sunshine Heights	12	6	0	6	15	21	18
Melbourne Knights	12	3	2	7	18	20	11
Fawkner	11	3	2	6	11	15	11
Preston Lions	11	2	2	7	10	33	8
Light Utd	12	1	3	8	7	40	6
Epping City	12	1	0	11	3	28	3

MILO Boys N/W 13 Super League

Coburg Utd	11	8	2	1	33	14	26
Altona City	9	7	0	2	21	8	21
Brimbank	10	6	3	1	20	8	21
Cairnlea	10	6	1	3	16	10	19
Essendon Royals	11	5	2	4	16	11	17
Green Gully	12	5	1	6	20	15	16
Brunswick City	12	5	0	7	15	16	15
Hume Utd	11	4	1	6	13	25	13
Werribee City	12	3	2	7	12	23	11
Fawkner	12	0	0	12	4	40	0

MILO Boys Metro 18 Blue

Heidelberg Utd	10	7	2	1	33	15	23
Maribyrnong Greens	9	6	1	2	29	24	19
Richmond	9	5	1	3	28	10	16
Oakleigh	9	5	1	3	31	20	16
Eastern Lions	10	3	2	5	19	31	11
Brunswick City	9	3	1	5	18	25	10
Manningham	8	2	0	6	16	34	6
St. Albans	10	2	0	8	13	28	3

MILO Boys Metro 18 Orange

Flemington Eagles	9	9	0	0	46	10	27
Gisborne	9	5	2	2	21	11	17
Western Eagles	9	5	1	3	26	13	16
Essendon Royals	9	4	2	3	19	11	14
Lalor Utd	8	4	1	3	27	16	13
Epping City	9	4	0	5	20	24	12
Mitchell Rangers JFC	9	0	2	7	10	40	2
Wyndham Olympic	10	0	2	8	5	49	2

MILO Boys Metro 18 Purple

Doveton	10	10	0	0	76	7	30
Nunawading City	9	8	0	1	57	14	24
Brighton	9	4	2	3	15	20	14
Boronia	9	3	1	5	26	33	10
Sherbrooke Rangers	8	3	1	4	21	29	10
Mooroolbark	9	3	1	5	24	38	10
Dandenong Sparrows	10	1	2	7	12	38	5
Sandringham City	10	1	1	8	7	59	4

MILO Boys Metro 18 Red

Altona City	10	10	0	0	50	8	30
Richmond	10	8	0	2	38	18	24
Oakleigh	10	7	0	3	29	21	21
Westvale	10	4	0	6	43	23	12
Boroondara Lions	10	4	0	6	37	33	12
Doncaster Rovers	11	3	0	8	29	27	9
Glen Eira	11	0	0	11	14	110	0

MILO Boys Metro 18 Yellow

Berwick City	11	8	2	1	76	11	26
Heatherton Utd	10	8	0	2	49	6	24
Frankston Pines	11	7	1	3	41	10	22
Casey Comets	11	7	1	3	37	30	22
Langwarrin	10	6	0	4	38	18	18
Peninsula	10	4	0	6	17	45	12
Chelsea	10	2	3	5	15	21	9
Seaford Utd	11	1	1	9	12	72	4
Rosebud	10	0	0	10	9	81	0

MILO Boys South 16 A

Springvale W. Eagles	9	8	0	1	42	8	24
Berwick City	10	7	0	3	33	16	21
Bentleigh Greens	10	5	0	5	21	22	15
Dandenong Thunder	9	4	1	4	27	23	13
Brighton	10	4	1	5	20	24	13
Dandenong City	9	4	0	5	16	36	12
Endeavour Utd	8	2	0	6	15	23	6
Mornington	9	2	0	7	10	32	6

MILO Boys South 16 B

Berwick City	12	9	1	2	45	16	28
Baxter	12	9	1	2	43	20	28
Doveton	12	7	2	3	50	13	23
Seaford Utd	12	5	3	4	21	27	18
Mornington	12	4	4	4	25	24	16
Langwarrin	12	3	6	3	26	16	15
East Bentleigh	12	3	3	6	16	17	12
Beaumaris	12	3	3	6	25	45	12
Brighton	11	3	1	7	15	34	10
Keysborough	11	1	0	10	7	61	3

MILO Boys South 15 A

Berwick City	12	9	2	1	39	13	29
Mornington	12	8	0	4	58	20	24
Dandenong City	12	8	0	4	34	18	24
Frankston Pines	12	7	1	4	54	16	22
Sandringham City	12	7	1	4	44	22	22
Langwarrin	12	6	0	6	26	23	18
Brighton	12	5	2	5	36	17	17
Lyndale Utd	12	5	1	6	44	40	16
Beaumaris	12	1	1	10	14	76	4
Peninsula	12	0	0	12	11	115	0

MILO Boys South 15 B

Berwick City	12	10	0	2	44	9	30
Bentleigh Greens	12	9	0	3	50	15	27
Heatherton Utd	12	8	1	3	56	14	25
Langwarrin	12	8	1	3	48	15	25
Brighton	12	8	0	4	47	15	24
Baxter	12	6	1	5	41	24	19
Mornington	12	5	1	6	34	36	16
Beaumaris	12	2	1	9	16	68	7
Sandringham City	12	1	1	10	7	81	4
Phillip Island	12	0	0	12	8	74	0

MILO Boys South 14 A

Berwick City	10	9	1	0	41	9	28
Brighton	9	6	1	2	25	8	19
Lyndale Utd	10	6	0	4	25	21	18
Langwarrin	9	4	2	3	24	12	14
Doveton	9	4	2	3	12	17	14
East Bentleigh	9	2	1	6	13	20	7
Bentleigh Greens	9	2	1	6	11	26	7
Mornington	9	0	0	9	4	42	0

MILO Boys South 14 B

Brighton	12	10	2	0	44	11	32
Beaumaris	12	7	1	4	33	21	22
Berwick City	12	5	4	3	36	18	19
Casey Comets	11	5	4	2	27	17	19
Sandringham City	10	5	1	4	20	15	16
Langwarrin	11	4	3	4	21	22	15
Springvale W. Eagles	12	4	2	6	27	26	14
Endeavour Utd	12	4	2	6	18	41	14
Carrum Utd	12	2	2	8	12	26	8
Baxter	12	1	1	10	9	50	4

MILO Boys South 14 C

Seaford Utd	11	7	2	2	40	13	23
Brighton 1	10	7	2	1	27	13	23
Peninsula	11	7	1	3	47	12	22
Hampton Park Utd	11	5	5	1	34	14	20
Dandenong Sparrows	11	6	2	3	25	12	20
Brighton 2	11	4	2	5	19	24	14
Berwick City	9	2	1	6	14	18	7
Doveton	10	1	1	8	12	45	4
Sandringham City	10	0	0	10	2	69	0

MILO Boys South 13 A

Bentleigh Greens	12	11	1	0	36	3	34
Peninsula	12	9	2	1	46	5	29
Brighton	12	9	2	1	43	2	29
Mornington	12	9	2	1	27	8	29
Hampton	12	5	3	4	17	18	18
Beaumaris	12	4	1	7	13	24	13
Berwick City	12	3	1	8	12	39	10
Hampton Park Utd	12	1	2	9	9	39	5
Seaford Utd	12	1	0	11	5	34	3
Langwarrin	12	1	0	11	5	41	3

MILO Boys South 13 B

Harrisfield Hurricanes	12	12	0	0	65	6	36
Bentleigh Greens	12	10	0	2	42	13	30
Chelsea	12	8	0	4	28	11	24
Keysborough	12	7	2	3	28	20	23
Sandringham City	12	4	4	4	23	24	16
Baxter	12	4	2	6	15	29	14
Mornington	12	2	5	5	13	22	11
Brighton	12	2	3	7	10	35	9
Peninsula	12	1	1	10	10	36	4
Beaumaris	12	1	1	10	12	50	4

MILO Boys South 13 C

Rosebud	12	12	0	0	99	2	36
Endeavour Utd	12	11	0	1	101	2	33
Hampton	12	9	0	3	68	12	27
Chelsea	12	7	1	4	42	14	22
Brighton	12	4	1	7	14	44	13
Carrum Utd	12	3	3	6	21	39	12
Langwarrin	12	3	3	6	17	51	12
Seaford Utd	12	1	4	7	13	65	7
Peninsula	12	1	3	8	9	58	6
Casey Panthers	12	1	1	10	6	103	4

MILO Boys South 12 A

Berwick City	12	10	2	0	37	5	32
Brighton	12	9	2	1	29	11	29
Beaumaris	12	8	2	2	40	11	26
Sandringham City	12	7	3	2	35	9	24
Langwarrin	12	7	1	4	39	15	22
Dandenong Thunder	12	7	0	5	26	21	21
Mornington	12	2	0	10	10	36	6
Noble Park	12	1	2	9	4	51	5
Dandenong City	12	1	1	10	8	31	4
Seaford Utd	12	1	1	10	6	44	4

MILO Boys South 12 B

Endeavour Utd	12	10	2	0	28	9	32
Hampton	12	7	4	1	21	10	25
Berwick City	12	7	3	2	29	11	24
Hampton Park Utd	12	5	4	3	18	15	19
Keysborough	12	4	3	5	19	25	15
Brighton	12	3	5	4	18	17	14
Sandringham City	12	4	2	6	18	19	14
Mornington	12	4	1	7	7	18	13
Casey Comets	12	2	2	8	9	25	8
Peninsula	12	0	2	10	5	23	2

MILO Boys South 12 C

Brighton	11	10	1	0	29	6	31
Baxter	10	7	1	2	27	9	22
Beaumaris	11	5	3	3	27	14	18
Doveton	10	4	5	1	19	9	17
Rosebud	11	5	2	4	27	23	17
Langwarrin	11	2	4	5	11	16	10
Mornington	11	2	3	6	12	26	9
Hampton	11	1	2	8	12	32	5
Sandringham City	10	1	1	8	10	39	4

MILO Boys South 12 D

Bentleigh Greens	12	10	0	2	57	10	30
Springvale W.Eagles	12	9	1	2	60	18	28
Brighton 1	12	8	2	2	28	12	26
Brighton 2	12	6	3	3	26	14	21
Carrum Utd	12	6	1	5	20	23	19
Hampton Park Utd	12	5	2	5	21	28	17
Beaumaris	12	5	0	7	19	30	15
Berwick City	12	3	1	8	19	37	10
Frankston Pines	12	2	1	9	12	42	7
Lyndale Utd	12	0	1	11	17	65	1

MILO Boys South 11 Kangaroos Green

Sandringham City	11	10	1	0	54	7	31
Hampton	11	6	4	1	14	8	22
Bentleigh Greens	11	7	1	3	19	14	22
Langwarrin	9	6	0	3	13	11	18
Beaumaris	11	3	2	6	13	21	11
Heatherton Utd	10	3	1	6	17	18	10
Brighton	9	2	3	4	9	22	9
Casey Comets	10	1	1	8	15	32	4
Mornington	10	1	1	8	1	22	4

MILO Boys South 11 Kangaroos Red

GSL	11	11	0	0	36	1	33
South E. Piranhas	10	10	0	0	40	5	30
Berwick City	12	9	1	2	39	7	28
Mornington	12	6	1	5	36	16	19
Bentleigh Greens	12	5	2	5	25	24	17
Southern Stars	11	4	0	7	22	22	12
Seaford Utd	12	3	2	7	16	34	11
Hampton Park Utd	11	2	4	5	15	26	10
Brighton	11	1	0	10	3	60	3
Dandenong City	12	0	2	10	7	44	2

MILO Boys South 11 Kangaroos Yellow

Hampton	12	11	1	0	51	2	34
Brighton	12	9	2	1	23	14	29
Sandringham City	12	8	1	3	29	9	25
Peninsula	12	8	1	3	26	9	25
Beaumaris	12	7	2	3	25	21	23
Langwarrin	12	3	3	6	21	30	12
Berwick City	12	2	3	7	15	22	9
Endeavour Utd	12	1	4	7	16	28	7
Baxter	12	2	1	9	18	39	7
Doveton	12	0	0	12	5	55	0

MILO Boys South 11 Joeys Blue

Langwarrin	12	10	0	2	47	7	30
Keysborough	12	8	3	1	34	9	27
Hampton Park Utd	12	7	4	1	29	10	25
Baxter	12	7	2	3	33	7	23
Beaumaris	12	7	2	3	21	6	23
Carrum Utd	12	6	0	6	20	15	18
Brighton	12	4	2	6	22	31	14
Sandringham City	12	2	2	8	11	21	8
Seaford Utd	12	0	2	10	3	54	2
Mornington	12	0	1	11	5	65	1

MILO Boys South 11 Joeys Orange

Beaumaris	12	10	2	0	40	11	32
Hampton	12	8	3	1	20	5	27
Sandringham City	12	7	2	3	28	11	23
East Bentleigh	11	7	1	3	22	6	22
Hampton Park Utd	12	7	0	5	15	20	21
Berwick City	12	4	4	4	11	17	16
Harrisfield Hurricanes	12	2	5	5	9	22	11
Brighton	12	2	3	7	12	22	9
Langwarrin	11	1	2	8	16	32	5
Peninsula	12	0	0	12	7	34	0

MILO Boys East 16 A

South Springvale	12	12	0	0	26	5	36
South Melbourne	12	7	2	3	32	19	23
Brandon Park	12	7	1	4	24	22	22
Manningham	12	6	2	4	35	28	20
Nunawading City	12	6	1	5	22	25	19
FC Bulleen Lions	12	5	3	4	25	18	18
Glen Waverley	12	4	3	5	18	22	15
Eastern Lions	12	4	0	8	19	25	12
Doncaster Rovers	12	1	2	9	18	32	5
Croydon City Arrows	12	0	2	10	11	34	2

MILO Boys East 16 B

North Caulfield	12	11	0	1	55	13	33
Ashburton	12	9	1	2	23	10	28
Boroondara Lions	11	8	2	1	44	12	26
Knox City	11	7	1	3	35	16	22
Doncaster Rovers	11	7	1	3	32	21	22
Richmond	12	6	0	6	30	18	18
Ringwood City	12	4	0	8	21	36	12
Boronia	12	1	1	10	14	36	4
Sherbrooke Rangers	11	1	0	10	10	61	3
Mooroolbark	12	0	2	10	10	51	2

MILO Boys East 15 A

Oakleigh	12	10	1	1	29	10	31
Eastern Lions	12	9	0	3	42	12	27
Richmond	12	8	2	2	31	14	26
Whitehorse	12	6	3	3	34	13	21
FC Bulleen Lions	12	4	4	4	19	18	16
Manningham	12	4	3	5	33	24	15
Kingston City	12	3	5	4	24	30	14
Riversdale	12	2	3	7	14	24	9
North Caulfield	12	2	0	10	21	48	6
Glen Waverley	12	1	1	10	8	62	4

MILO Boys East 15 B

FC Bulleen Lions	12	10	1	1	46	14	31
Doncaster Rovers	11	9	1	1	42	12	28
Sherbrooke Rangers	12	9	0	3	46	18	27
Clayton	12	8	1	3	37	17	25
Caulfield Utd	11	5	1	5	31	30	16
Glen Eira	12	3	2	7	28	39	11
Whitehorse	12	3	1	8	14	33	10
Croydon City Arrows	12	3	1	8	22	47	10
Springvale City	12	2	2	8	25	49	8
Knox City	12	2	0	10	23	55	6

MILO Boys East 15 C

Chelsea	11	11	0	0	74	11	33
Casey Comets	10	8	1	1	55	6	25
Boronia	11	6	2	3	28	18	20
Manningham	11	5	2	4	28	21	17
Ashburton	10	4	1	5	19	30	13
Hampton	11	4	0	7	17	47	12
Eastern Lions	11	3	0	8	14	39	9
Mooroolbark	10	2	1	7	8	47	7
Doncaster Rovers	11	1	1	9	12	36	4

MILO Boys East 15 D

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MILO Boys East 11 Joeys Blue

Springvale City	12	11	1	0	68	5	34
Riversdale	12	8	2	2	32	12	26
North Caulfield	12	8	1	3	35	11	25
Croydon City Arrows	12	6	3	3	25	16	21
Boroondara Lions	12	6	1	5	14	24	19
East Bentleigh	12	5	3	4	28	13	18
Eastern Lions	12	4	2	6	13	27	14
Doncaster Rovers	12	3	0	9	19	42	9
Knox City	12	1	1	10	6	39	4
Richmond	12	0	2	10	3	54	2

MILO Boys East 11 Joeys Orange

Glen Waverley	12	10	2	0	28	3	32
Richmond	12	7	4	1	39	10	25
Monash City	12	7	3	2	55	9	24
FC Bulleen Lions	12	7	3	2	42	8	24
Glen Eira	12	6	3	3	29	17	21
Nunawading City	12	6	2	4	26	13	20
Whitehorse	12	4	1	7	27	32	13
Ashburton	12	3	0	9	18	26	9
White Star Dandenong	12	0	1	11	1	55	1
Kingston City	12	0	1	11	2	94	1

MILO Boys East 11 Joeys Purple

FC Bulleen Lions	12	10	2	0	43	4	32
Clayton	12	9	2	1	38	6	29
Mooroolbark	11	8	3	0	28	2	27
Ashburton	12	5	3	4	17	20	18
Boronia	12	5	0	7	19	28	15
Brandon Park	12	4	2	6	15	19	14
Oakleigh	12	3	3	6	11	22	12
Ringwood City	12	3	2	7	14	31	11
Glen Waverley	12	1	2	9	6	30	5
Doncaster Rovers	11	1	1	9	6	35	4

MILO Boys East 11 Joeys Red

South Springvale	12	10	0	2	34	8	30
Sherbrooke Rangers	12	10	0	2	23	9	30
Glen Waverley	12	9	1	2	31	7	28
Croydon City Arrows	12	9	0	3	45	18	27
North Caulfield	12	6	1	5	20	10	19
Eastern Lions	12	5	1	6	16	17	16
Manningham	12	5	0	7	12	13	15
Richmond	12	2	0	10	4	33	6
Boroondara Lions	12	0	3	9	11	37	3
Ashburton	12	0	2	10	6	50	2

MILO Boys N/W 16 B

Broadmeadows Utd	8	6	2	0	20	9	20
Keilor Wolves	9	3	4	2	10	7	13
Sunbury Utd	9	3	3	3	15	10	12
Sunshine Heights	8	3	3	2	12	9	12
Watsonia Heights	9	4	0	5	17	19	12
Cairnlea	9	0	2	7	6	26	2

MILO Boys North 16 A

Northcote City	12	10	0	2	55	13	30
Brunswick City	12	8	4	0	50	11	28
Light Utd	12	8	3	1	41	15	27
Preston Lions	12	8	2	2	42	18	26
Bundoora Utd	11	5	1	5	35	27	16
Essendon Royals	12	4	3	5	27	20	15
Heidelberg Utd	12	4	1	7	21	39	13
Brunswick Zebras	11	1	2	8	9	32	5
Eltham North	12	1	1	10	8	43	4
Carlton Youth	12	1	1	10	9	79	4

MILO Boys North 15 A

Hume Utd	11	8	2	1	32	11	26
Coburg Utd	11	7	3	1	37	10	24
Southern Stars	9	5	2	2	31	11	17
Essendon Utd	11	5	1	5	28	32	16
Northcote City	10	3	0	7	13	34	9
Bundoora Utd	11	2	2	7	22	40	8
Brunswick Zebras	11	1	2	8	18	43	5

MILO Boys North 15 B

Moreland Utd	11	11	0	0	64	4	33
Whittlesea Stallions	11	8	1	2	39	14	25
Epping City	11	7	0	4	48	15	21
Essendon Royals	10	6	1	3	50	18	19
Eltham North	11	5	1	5	46	20	16
Heidelberg Stars	10	5	1	4	34	29	16
Essendon Utd1	11	2	0	9	16	61	6
Moreland Wolves	10	2	0	8	14	68	6
Mitchell Rangers JFC	11	0	0	11	4	86	0

MILO Boys North 14 A

BASL	10	9	0	1	48	4	27
Essendon Royals	11	9	0	2	49	12	27
Whittlesea Stallions	11	8	0	3	47	16	24
Brunswick Zebras	11	7	1	3	32	13	22
Bundoora Utd	10	6	1	3	27	12	19
Lalor Utd	11	3	0	8	24	35	9
Epping City	11	3	0	8	15	31	9
Coburg Utd	10	1	0	9	14	70	3
Eltham North	9	0	0	9	8	71	0

MILO Boys North 14 B

Moreland City	10	8	1	1	24	7	25
Fawkner	9	8	0	1	47	6	24
Hume Utd	10	5	2	3	30	15	17
Heidelberg Utd	10	5	0	5	24	19	15
Plenty Valley Lions	8	4	1	3	24	25	13
Brunswick Zebras	10	2	1	7	9	33	7
Brunswick City	8	2	0	6	13	34	6
Bundoora Utd	9	0	1	8	8	40	1

MILO Boys North 14 C

North City Lions	10	9	0	1	70	6	27
Northcote City	10	8	1	1	44	8	25
Diamond Valley Utd	9	5	2	2	20	19	17
Whittlesea Stallions	9	5	0	4	26	18	15
Moreland Utd	8	4	0	4	18	13	12
Lalor Utd	10	3	1	6	28	42	10
Watsonia Heights	10	0	1	9	12	50	1
Brunswick City	8	0	1	7	5	67	1

MILO Boys North 13 A

Whittlesea Stallions	12	11	0	1	42	10	33
Sunbury Utd	12	8	1	3	35	12	25
Epping City	12	8	1	3	23	12	25
Eltham North	12	6	3	3	23	16	21
Preston Lions	12	7	0	5	20	30	21
BASL	11	5	1	5	23	19	16
Light Utd	12	5	1	6	19	21	16
North City Lions	12	3	0	9	9	25	9
Brunswick Zebras	11	1	0	10	8	29	3
Fawkner	12	0	3	9	8	36	3

MILO Boys North 13 B

Greenvale Utd	12	10	0	2	48	5	30
Bundoora Utd	12	9	0	3	34	9	27
Essendon Royals	12	8	1	3	36	9	25
Whittlesea Stallions	12	8	1	3	31	18	25
FC Clifton Hill	12	7	2	3	36	26	23
Banyule City	12	4	2	6	12	23	14
Eltham North	12	3	1	8	9	32	10
Moreland Wolves	12	2	2	8	15	35	8
Brunswick Zebras	12	1	4	7	6	32	7
Moreland City	12	1	1	10	7	45	4

MILO Boys North 13 C

Meadow Park	12	11	1	0	61	11	34
Watsonia Heights	12	9	3	0	41	7	30
Northcote City	12	7	1	4	26	10	22
Bundoora Utd	11	4	4	3	20	15	16
Epping City	12	4	4	4	15	27	16
Alphington	12	4	2	6	29	33	14
Mill Park	12	3	4	5	17	18	13
Plenty Valley Lions	12	4	0	8	25	34	12
Mitchell Rangers JFC	12	3	1	8	24	54	10
Eltham North	11	0	0	11	7	56	0

MILO Boys North 12 A

Brunswick Zebras	11	8	2	1	24	11	26
North City Lions	11	8	1	2	34	15	25
Essendon Royals	11	8	1	2	24	9	25
Bundoora Utd	10	8	0	2	31	12	24
Whittlesea Stallions	11	4	3	4	27	14	15
Light Utd	9	4	0	5	17	24	12
Preston Lions	11	1	1	9	6	19	4
Brunswick City	10	1	1	8	6	29	4
Fawkner	10	0	1	9	10	46	1

MILO Boys North 12 B

Epping City	10	10	0	0	46	3	30
Essendon Royals	9	6	1	2	32	9	19
Moreland City	10	5	4	1	11	5	19
FC Clifton Hill	9	3	3	3	16	16	12
North City Lions	8	2	2	4	5	15	8
Heidelberg Utd	9	2	1	6	9	26	7
Watsonia Heights	10	2	1	7	9	34	7
Eltham North	9	1	0	8	4	24	3

MILO Boys North 12 C

Diamond Valley Utd	9	7	1	1	31	8	22
Light Utd	10	7	0	3	37	10	21
Alphington	9	5	1	3	18	14	16
Banyule City	8	5	0	3	17	13	15
Lalor Utd	10	3	3	4	9	12	12
Brunswick Zebras	9	3	1	5	14	13	10
Coburg Utd	9	2	1	6	13	26	7
Meadow Park	10	1	1	8	6	49	4

MILO Boys North 12 D

Hume Utd	9	7	1	1	26	8	22
Moreland Utd	7	6	1	0	31	3	19
FC Clifton Hill	7	4	0	3	23	15	12
Epping City	7	2	2	3	6	13	8
Brunswick City	8	2	2	4	7	24	8
Essendon Utd	8	2	1	5	11	21	7
Brunswick Zebras	8	0	1	7	5	25	1

MILO Boys North 11 Kangaroos Green

Epping City	12	10	2	0	29	4	32
Eltham North	12	10	1	1	39	7	31
Hume Utd	11	8	1	2	26	4	25
Light Utd	10	5	3	2	26	7	18
Essendon Royals	12	6	0	6	28	18	18
Northcote City	12	4	2	6	16	13	14
Bundoora Utd	12	4	1	7	16	18	13
Fawkner	12	3	1	8	14	27	10
Mill Park	12	2	1	9	10	40	7
Coburg Utd	11	0	0	11	0	66	0

MILO Boys North 11 Kangaroos Orange

Coburg Utd	12	11	1	0	77	2	34
Brunswick City	12	10	1	1	44	9	31
Green Gully	12	7	2	3	38	11	23
Meadow Park	12	7	1	4	36	35	22
Brunswick Zebras	12	6	0	6	26	21	18
Whittlesea Stallions	12	5	1	6	21	34	16
Preston Lions	12	5	1	6	20	43	16
Lalor	12	2	1	9	9	30	7
Eltham North	12	2	1	9	11	48	7
Essendon Royals	12	0	1	11	2	51	1

MILO Boys North 11 Joeys Blue

Moreland Wolves	12	9	2	1	18	7	29
Greenvale Utd	12	9	1	2	29	7	28
Hume Utd	11	7	1	3	21	5	22
Epping City	12	6	4	2	19	12	22
Alphington	12	6	2	4	22	9	20
Watsonia Heights	12	5	2	5	16	12	17
Mitchell Rangers JFC	11	4	1	6	9	23	13
Brunswick Zebras	12	2	2	8	12	21	8
Pascoe Vale	12	2	0	10	3	31	6
Eltham North	12	1	1	10	6	28	4

MILO Boys North 11 Joeys Yellow

Moreland City	12	11	1	0	49	3	34
Light Utd	12	8	2	2	35	8	26
Laverton Park	12	7	2	3	28	12	23
Lalor Utd	12	6	2	4	29	20	20
Diamond Valley Utd	12	6	2	4	26	26	20
Banyule City	11	5	1	5	23	14	16
Moreland Utd	12	3	5	4	17	16	14
Plenty Valley Lions	11	2	2	7	13	30	8
Bundoora Utd	12	1	1	10	8	40	4
North City Lions	12	1	0	11	5	64	3

MILO Boys West 16 A

Brimbank City	10	10	0	0	54	11	30
Altona Magic	9	7	1	1	37	12	22
Yarraville	10	5	1	4	30	27	16
Ballarat Academy	9	4	1	4	20	16	13
Keilor Park	10	3	2	5	25	30	11
Hoppers Crossing	9	2	2	5	15	26	8
Avondale Heights	8	1	1	6	9	20	4
Melton	9	1	0	8	8	56	3

MILO Boys West 15 A

Green Gully	11	8	2	1	31	12	26
Sunshine Georgies	11	8	2	1	26	7	26
Williamstown	11	7	1	3	16	13	22
Hoppers Crossing	10	6	1	3	16	15	19
Ballarat Academy	10	5	0	5	14	15	15
Keilor Park	10	3	1	6	17	13	10
North Sunshine Eagles	11	2	2	7	13	27	8
St. Albans	11	2	1	8	10	24	7
Brimbank	11	1	2	8	14	31	5

MILO Boys West 15 B

South Yarra	12	12	0	0	73	1	36
Gisborne	12	9	0	3	50	9	27
Laverton Park	12	8	2	2	49	12	26
Sunbury Utd	12	7	2	3	43	28	23
Flemington Eagles	12	6	1	5	57	32	19
Altona City	12	5	1	6	29	19	16
Western Eagles	12	3	3	6	34	34	12
Melbourne Lions	11	2	0	9	22	68	6
Satellite City Utd	10	1	0	9	10	128	3
Werribee City	11	0	1	10	11	47	1

MILO Boys West 14 A

Sunshine Georgies	10	8	1	1	41	9	25
Ballarat Academy	10	7	2	1	39	6	23
Green Gully	11	6	4	1	38	12	22
Werribee City	10	7	1	2	31	12	22
Brimbank City	11	4	1	6	18	39	13
Sydenham Park	10	4	0	6	17	26	12
Keilor Park	11	3	1	7	21	24	10
Keilor Wolves	10	1	0	9	7	45	3
Laverton Park	9	1	0	8	6	45	3

MILO Boys West 14 B

Altona Magic2	11	6	3	2	36	20	21
Williamstown	11	6	3	2	29	14	21
Melbourne Knights	9	5	1	3	19	11	16
WVSA	10	4	2	4	18	29	14
Altona Magic	10	4	1	5	23	20	13
Hoppers Crossing	10	3	1	6	15	32	10
Altona City	11	2	1	8	25	39	7

MILO Boys West 13 A

Keilor Park	10	8	2	0	34	2	26
Melbourne Knights	11	8	2	1	19	4	26
Sunshine Georgies	11	6	2	3	22	14	20
Sydenham Park	10	5	1	4	16	12	16
South Yarra	9	3	3	3	14	14	12
St. Albans	10	2	4	4	11	15	10
Ballarat Academy	10	3	1	6	13	20	10
Gisborne	11	2	3	6	6	17	9
Avondale Heights	10	0	0	10	8	45	0

MILO Boys West 13 B

WVSA	10	8	1	1	42	2	25
Sunshine Heights	11	6	3	2	29	10	21
Melbourne Knights	9	6	2	1	41	5	20
Hoppers Crossing	9	4	3	2	22	9	15
Altona City	10	4	3	3	18	9	15
Keilor Park	9	4	2	3	14	10	14
Green Gully	9	3	2	4	17	13	11
Melton	10	0	1	9	6	60	1
AVA Seagulls	11	0	1	10	6	77	1

MILO Boys West 13 C

Melbourne Lions	11	7	2	2	29	11	23
Brimbank	11	7	1	3	35	15	22
Western Eagles	10	7	0	3	27	14	21
Hoppers Crossing	11	6	2	3	37	33	20
Heidelberg Stars	10	4	3	3	29	24	15
Heidelberg Utd	11	4	3	4	22	20	15
Maribyrnong Greens	11	3	1	7	14	30	10
Yarraville	10	2	2	6	19	27	8
AVA Seagulls	11	1	0	10	15	53	3

MILO Boys West 12 A

Altona City	12	8	1	3	29	15	25
Keilor Park	12	7	4	1	27	13	25
Green Gully	10	7	1	2	22	6	22
Melbourne Knights	12	6	3	3	23	11	21
WVSA	11	5	3	3	18	10	18
Gisborne	12	5	2	5	23	16	17
BASL	11	5	2	4	19	18	17
Cairnlea	11	4	2	5	19	17	14
Avondale Heights	11	0	1	10	6	42	1
Hoppers Crossing	12	0	1	11	6	44	1

MILO Boys West 12 B

Altona City	12	11	1	0	53	4	34
Green Gully	11	9	0	2	73	8	27
Williamstown	12	8	2	2	41	12	26
Sunshine Georgies	12	7	1	4	31	13	22
Altona Magic	11	7	1	3	27	11	22
Laverton Park	12	4	1	7	24	25	13
Keilor Park	12	4	1	7	22	36	13
St. Albans	12	4	0	8	19	38	12
Sydenham Park	12	1	1	10	10	57	4
Gisborne	12	0	0	12	5	101	0

MILO Boys West 12 C

Brimbank City	12	11	0	1	43	6	33
Melton	10	8	1	1	33	2	25
Brimbank	10	8	1	1	27	2	25
Ballarat Academy	11	8	0	3	54	10	24
Wyndham Olympic	11	6	2	3	31	12	20
North Sunshine Eagles	12	5	1	6	24	14	16
Williamstown	12	2	2	8	15	36	8
Sunbury Utd	10	2	1	7	5	22	7
Spring Hills	11	0	1	10	3	54	1
Avondale Heights	11	0	1	10	4	81	1

MILO Boys West 11 Kangaroos Green

Gisborne	11	7	4	0	32	7	25
Altona City	11	7	2	2	30	12	23
Hoppers Crossing	10	6	2	2	41	14	20
Keilor Park	10	6	2	2	37	15	20
Williamstown	11	5	3	3	27	13	18
Green Gully	10	3	2	5	11	25	11
Brimbank	11	2	4	5	7	13	10
Altona Magic	11	2	1	8	6	40	7
Melbourne Knights	11	0	0	11	1	53	0

MILO Boys West 11 Kangaroos Red

Melbourne Knights	10	10	0	0	43	2	30
Green Gully	10	7	2	1	51	7	23
WVSA	9	7	1	1	33	7	22
Sunshine Georgies	10	4	3	3	25	12	15
South Yarra	11	4	2	5	19	15	14
Sydenham Park	9	3	1	5	12	28	10
Keilor Park	11	2	2	7	8	40	8
St. Albans	11	2	1	8	11	39	7
Melton	9	0	0	9	3	55	0

MILO Boys West 11 Joeys Blue

Cairnlea	12	11	0	1	56	8	33
Flemington Eagles	12	10	1	1	48	7	31
Keilor Wolves	12	8	2	2	40	15	26
Williamstown	12	6	2	4	32	22	20
Hoppers Crossing	12	5	3	4	30	25	18
Maribyrnong Greens	11	5	1	5	24	32	16
Spring Hills	12	4	1	7	33	27	13
Altona City	11	3	1	7	15	28	10
Brimbank	12	1	1	10	2	57	4
Gisborne	12	0	0	12	2	61	0

MILO Girls Metro 18 A

Sandringham City	9	9	0	0	67	9	27
Brunswick Zebras	9	6	1	2	57	13	19
Langwarrin	9	6	1	2	44	13	19
Cairnlea	9	4	0	5	36	42	12
Casey Panthers	8	2	1	5	15	44	7
Mooroolbark	8	1	0	7	12	48	3
Sherbrooke Rangers	8	0	1	7	3	65	1

MILO Girls Metro 18 B

FC Bulleen Lions	11	9	2	0	43	5	29
Croydon City Arrows	10	6	3	1	17	10	21
Gisborne	9	6	1	2	35	10	19
Whitehorse	10	4	1	5	15	19	13
Essendon Royals	7	2	0	5	8	16	6
Seaford Utd	10	1	1	8	5	39	4
Mill Park	9	1	0	8	6	30	3

MILO Girls Metro 16 A

Whittlesea Stallions	9	8	1	0	38	2	25
Epping City	9	7	0	2	38	9	21
Ashburton	9	6	1	2	37	9	19
Brighton	10	6	0	4	20	16	18
Beaumaris	10	4	1	5	19	33	13
South Eastern Piranhas	10	2	0	8	13	47	6
Richmond	10	1	2	7	15	48	5
Glen Eira	9	1	1	7	12	28	4

MILO Girls Metro 16 B

Boroondara Lions	10	10	0	0	55	4	30
Knox City	11	9	1	1	59	4	28
Watsonia Heights	10	7	0	3	32	11	21
Berwick City	11	6	1	4	24	20	19
Mornington	11	5	1	5	15	23	16
East Bentleigh	11	4	1	6	24	22	13
Sherbrooke Rangers	11	3	0	8	11	44	9
Langwarrin	11	1	0	10	5	48	3
Croydon City Arrows	10	1	0	9	7	56	3

MILO Girls Metro 16 C

Eastern Lions	11	10	0	1	50	5	30
Sandringham City	11	8	1	2	30	9	25
Chelsea	11	7	2	2	27	8	23
Keilor Park	11	4	3	4	18	15	15
Endeavour Utd	9	3	2	4	16	13	11
Hampton Park Utd	11	3	2	6	14	21	11
Dandenong City	9	2	3	4	9	21	9
North Caulfield	10	1	3	6	11	28	6
Brighton	11	1	0	10	6	61	3

MILO Girls S/E 16 D

Rosebud	11	6	3	2	24	11	21
Baxter	8	6	2	0	34	8	20
Boronia	9	6	2	1	26	10	20
Eltham North	11	5	1	5	26	21	16
Boroondara Lions	10	3	0	7	8

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SOCCEROOS BREAK TV RECORD IN ASIA CUP

The Australia v Japan AFC Asian Cup football match on last Saturday night created a new Australian Subscription TV record audience with an average of 419,000 people watching the game on FOX SPORTS.

The Australia v Japan AFC Asian Cup quarter final had a higher average audience than any program in the history of Australian Subscription TV as well as a peak audience of 515,000 during the penalty shoot out.

The match, which went right down to the wire before Australia was knocked out in heart-breaking circumstances, also attracted a total audience of 1,029,000, according to ratings recorded by OzTAM Data.

These figures do not include the huge number of people who watched the match at one of 3,600 FOX SPORTS venues around Australia in what was a massive night of sport on Saturday night.

"This is a watershed result for FOX SPORTS and Subscription TV," said FOX SPORTS CEO David Malone. "To achieve audiences of this magnitude is a clear indication of the significant growth in Subscription TV and further evidence of the viewing numbers we can deliver.

"It also reinforces FOX SPORTS' investment in Australian sport and the fans are reciprocating by embracing the Socceroos, NRL, AFL, Wallabies and the other sports and teams we proudly broadcast."

The previous Subscription TV record was 415,000 (an innings of a New Zealand v Australia Chappell Hadlee cricket match). The Australia v Japan figure follows the earlier clash between Australia and Oman, which attracted an average audience of 345,000.

GOLDEN BALLS SET FOR OZ

Football Federation Australia has confirmed that tickets for the much-anticipated match between Sydney FC and LA Galaxy, including their star recruit David Beckham, at Telstra Stadium on Tuesday 27 November 2007 will go on sale to the general public through Ticketek on August 9.

Prices will start at $20 for a Category C concession, with family tickets for 2 Adults and 2 Children affordably priced from just $80. The top price Category A tickets are $85.

Sydney FC season ticket holders and members of the Football Family will receive priority access to ticketing prior to the general public on-sale.

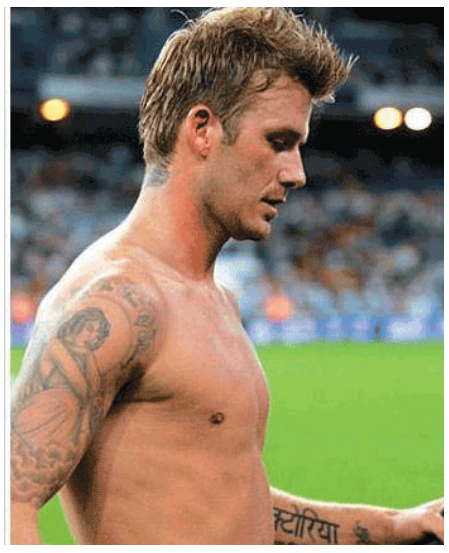
"We anticipate huge demand for tickets to this historic match between Sydney FC & LA Galaxy ," said FFA CEO Ben Buckley.

"The event has already captured people's imaginations here, and we are really excited about hosting an event with such global appeal."

"This will be the first opportunity for football fans to see LA Galaxy with David Beckham play outside of North America, and we are looking forward to showcasing Sydney to the world with a packed Telstra Stadium on the night," concluded Buckley.

Tickets will be on sale through Ticketek via internet (www.ticketek.com.au), phone (132 849) or at outlets.

Match Details
Sydney FC v LA Galaxy
Telstra Stadium
Tuesday 27th November, 2007
Kick Off: 8.30pm (AEDT)
Gates Open: 6.30pm (AEDT)



David Beckham - coming to Australian shores to strut his stuff

AUSSIE YOUNG GUNS DEFEAT KOREAN REPUBLIC

The Qantas Young Socceroos kicked off the Weifang Cup with an encouraging 1-0 win over the Korean Republic (South Korea) on Saturday night in stifling conditions in Weifang, China.

Adelaide United's recent signing Matthew Mullen scored the winner in the 73rd minute with a low first time strike from inside the penalty area following a corner from James Holland.

Both sides struggled in the early stages of the match in hot and humid conditions but after the break the young Australian side took the initiative and threatened on several occasions before obtaining a deserved winner

The first notable chance of the match did not arrive until just after the half time break when Queensland Roar striker Tahj Minniecon struck his shot just over the crossbar.

Australia grew in confidence as the match wore on and started to dominate the Koreans who seemed to struggled in the challenging conditions.

The Australians thought they had taken the lead in the 52nd minute after a scramble following a corner but the goal was ruled out for a foul on the keeper.

Korea's keeper made a great save to deny Australia in the 72nd minute however Mullen ensured the win from the resulting corner.

The match was first international outing for the current generation of Young Socceroos and there will be further matches over the coming week against host-nation China, Iran, Uzbekistan and top Chinese club Shandong Luneng.

The long road towards the 2009 FIFA World Youth Cup will commence in October with the first stage of qualifying to be followed next year by the AFC U-19 Championship.

Match Details:

Australia 1 (Matthew Mullen 73')
Korea Republic 0

Australian line-up: Andrew Redmayne (GK); Luke De Vere, Sebastian Ryall, James Holland, Matthew Mullen (Bonel Obradovic 85'), Isaka Cernak-Okanya, James Brown, Tahj Minniecon, Dane Milovanovic (Richard Greer 90'), Jason Hoffman (Milos Lujic 70'), Daniel Mullen (Ante Cicak 65')
Cautions: Milovanovic (35), Brown (66')

The Qantas Young Socceroos squad to compete in the Weifang Cup, July 27 – August 4, is:

Luke DeVere, Dane Milovanovic, James Holland, Ante Cicak, Daniel Mullen, James Brown, Richard Greer, Tahj Minniecon (AIS/Queensland Roar), Jerrad Tyson, Bonel Obradovic, Milos Lujic, Sebastian Ryall, Andrew Redmayne (AIS/Central Coast Mariners), Matthew Mullen (AIS/ Adelaide United), Alex Sunasky, Matthew Theodore, Isaka Cernak-Okanya, Matthew Jurman, Matthew Harper, Jason Hoffman (uncontracted)

James Holland in action for the AIS versus Preston in the VPL recently. James will be competing with the Young Socceroos in the Weifang Cup in China this week.

**** All players AIS-based unless stated otherwise***

Australia v Korean Republic 1-0 (Matt Mullen)

Australia v Iran
Sunday 29 July, 4pm
(6pm AEST)

Australia v China
Tuesday 31 July, 4pm
(6pm AEST)

Australia v Shandong Luneng
Thursday 2 August, 10am
(12midday AEST)

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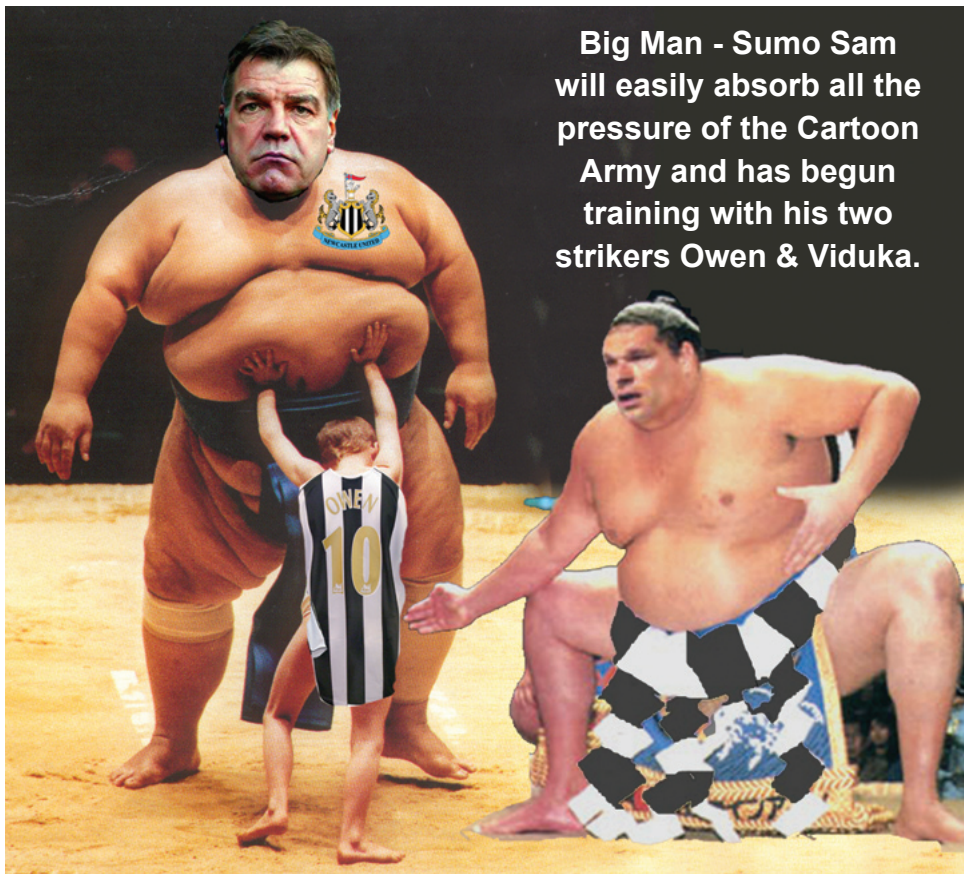
BIG SAM TAKES CHARGE OF THE TOON ARMY

Newcastle United have a bright future ahead. They are another Premiership club starting the season under new ownership and with the added novelty of a British billionaire; Mike Ashley, the Lillywhite's and Sports World owner. They also have appointed their fifth manager in ten years as Sam Allardyce has taken charge of the Toon Army...

Allardyce started his football career as a centre-half with Bolton, and with them they secured the old Second Division title in 1978. He later played for Sunderland, Millwall, Coventry, Huddersfield, Preston, West Brom and American side Tampa Bay Rowdies. He managed the Irish side Limerick before becoming Bolton manager in 1999. Despite not winning a major trophy, the Trotters secured promotion to the premiership, finished sixth and qualified for the UEFA cup in his tenure.

Bolton success was surprising considering their size and the lack of transfer funds available. Big Sam's strong character and powers of persuasion not only enabled him to lure football's big-name foreign stars such as Nicolas Anelka, Youri Djorkaeff, Ivan Campo, Fernando Hierro, Jay-Jay Okocha and Fredi Bobic, but also managed to get the best out of them. He also took bold gambles signing previously little known players from unpopular backgrounds such as Israel and Iran.

Bolton's biggest criticism was their their bullish and ugly style of play. They got results with scrappy goals, with long balls and set pieces. Big Sam's reign will be remembered for the way the club tormented the Big Four. They simply could not boast the funds for a title challenge; but still managed to knock the Gunners out of last year's FA cup and become Arsenal's 'bogey' team and challenge them for fourth place in the Premiership. In Sam's last game in charge of the Trotters he saw them score two set-piece goals and secure a point that deprived Chelsea of the Premiership title. Two weeks later he was installed as the new manager of Newcastle United.



Big Man - Sumo Sam will easily absorb all the pressure of the Cartoon Army and has begun training with his two strikers Owen & Viduka.

So what's to come from the 'Toon Army'? He's already managed to persuade Michael Owen to stay at the club and in his come back scored his first Newcastle goal in more than 19 months in a 3-1 win at Hartlepool. He's been busy in the transfer market signing Mark Viduka (Middlesbrough, free), Joey Barton (Man City, £5.8m), David Rozehnal (Paris St Germain, £2.9m), Geremi (Chelsea, free). He's also shown the door to: Scott Parker (West Ham, £7m), Titus Bramble (Wigan, free), Antoine Sibierski (Wigan, free), Craig Moore (released), Olivier Bernard (released), Alan O'Brien (undisclosed).

But Big Sam is unlikely to stop there. He was reported to have made an audacious enquiry about Barcelona superstar Ronaldinho, but was put off by the £58m asking price.

The fact that Sam's reputation was under question recently, with allegations of illegal transfer bungs, which he denies, may have tarnished his reputation, but it hasn't changed his style or behaviour. He is a big man, says what he does and doesn't get pushed around. He deals with the media in the same up front manner and often gets himself into trouble for saying something he shouldn't. He may not bring 'sexy' football to St James Park, but he will produce results.

Last year Big Sam was being interviewed for the vacant position of England manager. The FA said that he lacked experience managing a top team; Newcastle United could be just what he and the nation are looking for.

Gossip and Transfer Speculation from the English Media....

Arsenal are set to smash their transfer record with a £15m swoop for Argentine striker Rodrigo Palacio, who plays for Boca Juniors. (The Sun)

Portsmouth are giving a trial to Brazilian striker Geovanni Mauricio, a former Barcelona player. (Mirror)

Middlesbrough and Blackburn are preparing to swoop for Everton striker James Beattie but could be put off by the £4m price tag. (Daily Mail)

Striker Kanu is ready to commit himself to Portsmouth for the forthcoming season. (Guardian)

Liverpool striker Dirk Kuyt has warned that manager Rafael Benitez's summer spending spree will go to waste unless the club make a strong start to the season. (Various)

Chelsea's new link-up with Disney will involve the Blues having a presence at Disneyworld in Florida. Chelsea's business affairs director Paul Smith told BBC Five Live: "We will not only have the branding of the key Disney events but we will be sending over coaching staff to hold clinics and seminars with US coaches in the key parts of the season, leading eventually to a permanent Chelsea feature in Disney in Orlando."

Manchester United defender Gabriel Heinze was given a clause in his contract allowing him to leave for £6m. (Daily Mirror)

West Ham have made an audacious move to sign Bayern Munich striker Roque Santa Cruz from under the noses of Manchester City. (Daily Mirror)

Robbie Fowler is ready to snub a move to Leicester after agreeing to join Cardiff. (Daily Star)

Newcastle manager Sam Allardyce has claimed he has missed out on all his top targets because of the club's takeover. (Various)

Bolton's Kevin Nolan has taken a swipe at Sam Allardyce by claiming the players were behind the club's success. (Sun)

Everton are giving their fans the chance to vote on the proposal for a move from Goodison Park to a new stadium in Kirkby. (Various)

Newcastle striker Obafemi Martins has rejected a £13m move to Arsenal and will stay in the north-east. (Daily Express)

Beckham's salary at LA Galaxy is 503.9 times bigger than the lowest-paid member of the squad, goalkeeper Lance Friesz. (Daily Mirror)

Manchester City boss Sven Goran Eriksson has snubbed a £1m bid from Turkish side Besiktas for Darius Vassell. (The Sun)

Championship side Hull will attempt to sign Andy Cole, who may be leaving Fratton Park. (Daily Telegraph)

Chelsea captain John Terry has agreed a new £6.8m contract with the Premier League club, which will make him the highest paid player in England. (The Sun)

Mourinho has welcomed Spurs into the Premier League's big time, saying they are one of five title contenders with Chelsea, Manchester United, Liverpool and Arsenal. (The Sun)

Michael Owen has put himself in the frame to become the next Newcastle captain, following the departure of Scott Parker. (Daily Mirror)

Fifa will decide whether West Ham should release Carlos Tevez from his contract so he can join Manchester United. (Daily Mirror)

Liverpool will turn their attentions to £7m-rated Juventus left-back Giorgio Chiellini after Man Utd snubbed their offer for Gabriel Heinze. (Daily Star)

West Ham will swoop for £4m-rated Newcastle winger Kieron Dyer after new signing Julien Faubert was ruled out for six months. (Various)

Sam Allardyce's innovative training methods at Newcastle have led to problems. His vibrating muscle toner machines give players an uncontrollable urge to visit the toilet. (The Sun)

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GLORY BOOK SEMI-FINAL SHOWDOWN

MELBOURNE VICTORY

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PERTH GLORY

Perth Glory has secured a pre-season cup semi-final berth after a hard fought 2-1 win against Melbourne Victory in hot and humid conditions at the Darwin Football Stadium on Saturday night.

Both sides had plenty of chances in front of goal however the Glory's two second half strikes were enough to secure the win and a bonus point to ensure progression to the next stage of the competition.

Perth has gone three matches undefeated in the pre-season, something the Glory were unable to achieve at any stage last season, and is an early indication of the improvement Ron Smith's side has made.

Young striker Nikita Rukavytsya struck first for the Glory with a magnificent effort in the 52nd minute. The in-form forward finding himself on the end of a great cross from Simon Colosimo and he didn't disappoint as he evaded a close checking Melbourne defender to find room to deliver a blistering shot past Victory keeper Michael Theoklitos.

The goal put renewed life into the Glory who had gone into the main break one down after Melbourne's international recruit Carlos Hernandez lived up to his star billing by firing a cannon like shot from 30 yards which found the top corner of the net.

Yet the early advantage could have just as easily been with Perth but they were denied what looked to be a strong case for a penalty in the 7th minute. Rukavytsya was brought down in the box by the Melbourne keeper and referee Peter Green waved away the animated appeals from everyone on the pitch wearing purple.

Perth however took the lead on 70 minutes when Jamie Harnwell skilfully knocked in a half volley after some terrific build-up play with tireless worker Billy Celeski delivering the final cross after a gut busting run to the touchline from midfield.

Needing the win and two bonus points to secure top place in Group A, Perth continued to attack while Melbourne were far from done and dusted as they created many good opportunities of their own.

A frenetic final ten minutes ensued with Hernandez having two golden opportunities while at the other end Colosimo's skimming shot just brushed past the wrong side of the upright.

The attacking style of both sides delighted an enthusiastic and vocal crowd who thoroughly enjoyed their first taste of top level football.

"The stadium was terrific, it was an exciting game with plenty of chances and I'm sure that everyone who came to the ground would have thoroughly enjoyed themselves," Smith said.

"I'm very pleased with the efforts of the boys tonight and the fact that we have been able to string some good results together.

"Being able to get some consistency in our performances is important because I think the league will be very close this season. The margins between winning and losing won't be much at all which augers well for the future of the Hyundai A-League," Smith said.

Nikoli Topor-Stanley was again solid at left back while new recruit Mate Dragicevic made his debut at the other end of the ground. The big striker was a second half substitute and almost netted on his first outing but his shot from a tight angle in the 90th minute hit the side netting.

Perth must now wait on the outcome of the Group B match between Central Coast and Sydney on Sunday afternoon to learn where they'll be playing next weekend.

Perth Glory 2 (Rukavytsya 52', Harnwell 70')
Melbourne Victory 1 (Hernandez 34')

Darwin Football Stadium, Darwin
Crowd: 2700

Perth Glory Squad: 30.Tando VELAPHI (gk), 2.Nikolai TOPOR-STANLEY, 3.David TARKA, 4.Simon COLOSIMO, 5.Jamie HARNWELL, 6.Dino DJULBIC, 10.Billy CELESKI, 12.Leo BERTOS (8.David MICEVSKI 73'), 13.Nikita RUKAVYTSYA, 14.Jamie COYNE, 19.Naum SEKULOVSKI (9.Mate DRAGICEVIC 45')
Substitutes not used: 50.Tommi TOMICH (gk)
Yellow cards: Harnwell 64'

Melbourne Victory Squad: 1.Michael THEOKLITOS (gk), 2.Kevin MUSCAT (Captain), 3.Daniel PIORKOWSKI, 5. Ljubo MILICEVIC, 7.Matthew KEMP, 9.Daniel ALLSOPP, 11.Joseph KEENAN, 12.Rodrigo VARGAS, 13.Kaz PATAFTA (8.Grant BREBNER 59'), 16.Carlos HERNANDEZ, 18.Leigh BROXHAM (14. Adrian CACERES 75')
Substitutes not used: 4.Adrian LEIJER, 20.Eugene GALEKOVIC (gk)
Yellow cards: Milicevic 87'

MARINERS SECURE SEMI BERTH

CENTRAL COAST

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SYDNEY

The Central Coast Mariners have booked a Pre-Season Cup semi final at Bluetongue Central Coast Stadium after thrashing southern rivals Sydney FC 3-0 at Canberra Stadium today.

Matthew Osman, Adam Kwasnik and Andre Gumprecht provided the goals for the yellow and navy in match that will be remembered for each of their respective strikes – all worthy of any football highlights reel around the globe.

Osman's opener on 36 minutes, arguably the pick of the bunch, set the tone for one of the Central Coast 's most impressive and utterly comprehensive performances in recent times.

The three-goal winning margin is the second largest in Mariners history and further builds upon the Central Coast's impressive Pre-Season Cup record which now reads just one regulation time defeat from 14 starts.

Having secured top spot in Group B by a convincing four points, the Mariners will now face Group A runners up the Perth Glory at Bluetongue Central Coast Stadium next Saturday, 4 August in a bid to secure their third consecutive Pre-Season Cup final appearance.

Group A

	P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	Pts
1 Adel Utd	3	1	2	0	6	3	3	8
2 Glory	3	2	1	0	4	2	2	8
3 Jets	3	1	0	2	2	5	-3	3
4 Victory	3	0	1	2	2	4	-2	1

Group B

	P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	Pts
1 CCM	3	2	1	0	6	1	5	10
2 Roar	3	1	2	0	3	2	1	6
3 Phoenix	3	1	0	2	4	4	0	5
4 Sydney	3	0	1	2	0	6	-6	1

ROAR SILENCES PHOENIX

WELLINGTON PHOENIX

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QUEENSLAND ROAR

Queensland Roar moved to the top of Group B, following Friday night's 2-1 win over Wellington Phoenix at the QEII Stadium in Christchurch.

The Roar moved to six points, but will have to wait till after Sunday's game between Sydney FC and Central Coast Mariners to see whether they will play in the semi final play-off's. They are a point ahead of Central Coast and Wellington, but with the bonus points on offer for the number of goals scored, it still anyone's guess as to who will finish in first and second in the group.

The goal scoring all came in the five minutes before and after half time, with defender Sasa Ognenovski ultimately grabbing the plaudits of his team mates when he thumped home the winner from close range in the 48th minute.

The match itself was a very even affair, with Roar taking advantage of two Phoenix defensive lapses.

Phoenix dominated the early passages, but found the Roar defence tough to crack and with Roar getting into the match, they grabbed the lead in the 40th minute.

Matt McKay dispossessed his former Roar team mate Karl Dodd, squared the ball to Simon Lynch, who delicately chipped his shot over Glen Moss.

Lynch should have added a second shortly after, but his shot struck the post.

The second half was literally a minute old when it was all square again. Daniel's pinpoint free kick found Kiwi international Steven Old, who planted his header firmly past Liam Reddy.

But the home sides joy was short-lived though, when confusion in the Phoenix defence, saw Ognenovski pounce and lash his shot home.

Wellington pushed for an equaliser, but Roar's defence managed to hold on for the remainder of the game.

Roar picked up one bonus point for scoring two goals and the four points in total took them to the top of the standings.

ADELAIDE ADVANCES INTO SEMIS

ADELAIDE UNITED

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NEWCASTLE JETS

Adelaide United became the first team to guarantee their spot in the Pre-Season Cup Play-off semi finals, with a 4-1 win over Newcastle Jets at Hindmarsh Stadium.

While Adelaide fully deserved their win, the match had several flash points and two Jets players, Mark Bridge and Adam Griffiths both received their marching orders in the second half.

Adelaide has now moved to four points clear of second placed Perth Glory in Group A, with Glory playing Melbourne in Darwin, to determine who will be the second team from that group to play in the semi finals.

The match got off to a sensational start, when after just five minutes, Jason Spagnuolo was brought down in the penalty area by Andrew Durante. Nathan Burns saw his spot kick pushed onto the crossbar by Jets keeper Ante Covic, but the rebound fell perfectly for Burns, who wasn't going to waste his second chance and buried it into the back of the net.

The rest of the half remained fairly even to the break, with both sides having several half chances to score.

With Adelaide gaining the ascendancy and the challenges flying in, with Jets players getting yellow cards, the match was getting heated.

The Jets frustration only grew in the 66th minute, when a Kristian Sarkies free kick hit the crossbar, falling nicely at the feet of striker Bruce Djite and he made no mistake.

Things got worse for Newcastle three minutes later when Bridge was sent off for kicking out at an opponent and was followed 10 minutes later by Griffiths for a second yellow card, after he objected to a penalty being awarded to Djite after the two tangled in the box.

Sarkies stepped up for the spot kick and sent Covic the wrong way, much to the delight of the 3,800 fans at the ground.

Jets miserable night only got worse when Richie Alagich scored a fourth, although Joel Griffiths managed a consolation goal from the penalty spot in injury time, after he was brought down in the box.

If Adelaide remain top of Group A after the Melbourne v Perth game, they will host the semi final next Sunday afternoon at 5pm at Hindmarsh Stadium.

Match Details
Adelaide United FC 4 (Burns 6', Djite 66', Sarkies 80' pen, Alagich 86')
Newcastle Jets 1 (Griffiths 90+2' pen)
Crowd: 3,800 @ Hindmarsh Stadium